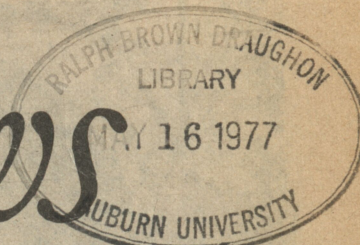


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Shevlin & Folkerts Already on Campus—

## Three Appointed to Alumni Professorships



**NEW ALUMNI PROFESSORS**—Auburn University President Harry M. Philpott (right) announced three new Alumni Professorships in early April. They are (from left) Dr. George Folkerts '68, named Alumni Professor of Zoology - Entomology; Dr. Philip B.

Shevlin, named Alumni Associate Professor of Chemistry; and (not shown) Dr. Robert J. Krajewski, named Alumni Associate Professor of Educational Administration. Dr. Krajewski will join the faculty in September.

Three new Alumni Professorships have been announced by Auburn University President Harry M. Philpott. Two of the men selected are present members of the Auburn faculty and one is a newly appointed member. Dr. Philip B. Shevlin was named Alumni Associate Professor of Chemistry and Dr. George Folkerts '68 was named Alumni Professor of Zoology - Entomology.

Dr. Robert J. Krajewski, who will join the School of Education faculty on Sept. 1, was named Alumni Associate Professor of Educational Administration.

The purpose of the awards, Dr. Philpott pointed out, is to encourage excellence in teaching and research among faculty on campus and to attract outstanding new faculty.

Dr. Shevlin, regarded by his colleagues as one of the outstanding young chemists in the Southeast, has 18 research publications in major chemical journals. Thirteen of these are based on work performed at Auburn.

Dr. Folkerts also has published extensively in a wide array of scientific journals, particularly on environmental themes.

Both Dr. Shevlin and Dr. Folkerts were cited as highly popular and superior teachers at

both the graduate and undergraduate levels.

Dr. Krajewski, presently a member of the faculty at Texas Tech University, is recognized nationally in the field of supervision. Among his achievements is his recent selection as guest editor of an issue of the *Journal of Research and Development in Education* which was devoted to his area of specialization.

He holds the B.S. and M.S. from the University of Illinois and the Ed.D. from Duke University. He previously taught at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.

Dr. Shevlin, who holds the B.S. from Lafayette College and the M.S. and Ph.D. from Yale University, has been a member of the Auburn faculty since 1970.

Dr. Folkerts holds the B.A. and M.A. from Southern Illinois University and the Ph.D. from Auburn University where he has been a member of the faculty both prior to and since he received the doctorate in 1968.

Warner Named—

### Associate Education Dean

Dr. Richard Warner, Alumni Associate Professor of Counselor Education at Auburn, has been appointed associate dean for programs in the School of Education, effective Sept. 1. In his new position Dr. Warner will be responsible for assisting faculty in program development, implementation and evaluation, and research and extramural funding.

Dr. Warner, who joined the AU faculty in 1972, previously taught or served as a counselor in several high schools, as an instructor in counselor education for the State University of New York at Buffalo, and an associate professor at Pennsylvania State University.

At Auburn Dr. Warner serves on the graduate faculty and has held a joint appointment with

Student Development Services.

In 1976 he was named Alumni Associate Professor for the period ending in 1981. He was recently promoted to the rank of professor effective in September, 1977.

Among other honors, he received the President's Award in 1974 for dedicated service to Alabama Personnel and Guidance Association and the Best Article of the Year Award honorable mention by *Personnel and Guidance Journal*, 1972-73.



Dr. Richard Warner

First in Nation—

## AU Official Eagle Care Station

Auburn University has been designated the nation's first official eagle rehabilitation station. In mid-April Auburn University President Harry M. Philpott and Veterinary School Dean James E. Greene signed an agreement with the Southeastern Fish and Wildlife Services establishing Auburn University as an official rehabilitation station for the national bird. A team of Auburn veterinarians led by Dr. Gregg Boring and Dr. Jimmy Milton has accepted four eagles during recent months, delivered by agents of the Fish and Wildlife Service for treatment of gunshot wounds.

Harold W. Benson, assistant regional director for the Fish and Wildlife Service in Atlanta, says this is the first formal agreement between the service and a major university although informal arrangements exist with other universities.

According to federal officials the ultimate goal is to release the eagles back into their natural habitat. Eagles which have been successfully

rehabilitated will be turned over to the service for release.

The three eagles currently being treated at the Small Animal Clinic will never fly in the wild again according to the veterinarians because only the strongest survive. However, the eagles will probably live out their lives in zoos or in exhibits where the public can come to know them.

The Southern bald eagle and the golden eagle are both on the endangered species list and it is against federal law to shoot them, but trigger-happy gun-toters continue to shoot about 25 eagles in the Southeast each year. Now several of the injured birds will be making their way to Auburn where Dr. Milton, a joint and bone specialist, works with Dr. Boring, a radiologist, to treat them. They also have the help of devoted veterinary students such as Jack Hume,

who stayed in Auburn during the Christmas holidays to see that the birds were fed.

The eagles now recuperating in a dog run at the small animal clinic weigh eight or ten pounds and have a wing spread of six to seven feet. They can be powerful, as a veterinary student learned when a golden eagle wrapped his talons around the student's arm and refused to let go until the bird was tranquilized. The clinic eagles also had to be force-fed until they learned to eat instinctively in captivity.

All the implications of the Wildlife Service agreement are not known yet, but it is possible that Auburn's famed War Eagle, IV, will find a mate among those brought to Auburn. However, some problems need to be solved before another bird comes to share War Eagle's nest out behind Haley Center. Dr. Milton says that female golden eagles are larger than males and the chosen mate might not take a

liking to War Eagle, meaning that one or the other could get hurt. Consequently, it is likely that War Eagle, IV, will continue his bachelor life for some time yet.

However, he may have to share his fans. Under the terms of the agreement with the Wildlife Services, Auburn can exhibit or display any eagle in its care, either on or off campus, so long as it is exhibited in a humane manner. One of the eagles has already made a trip off-campus—to the kindergarten class of Dr. Milton's son.



# Bush, Mims Win Elections

John Bush, a junior majoring in public administration, has been elected president of the Student Government Association for the 1977-78 academic year. The new vice

president is Jenelle Mims of Prattville, and treasurer is Steve Forehand of Alexander City.

Auburn students elected Susan Long of Birmingham as the new Miss Auburn, an office in which the titlist works with various organizations on campus.

John Carvalho of Jacksonville, Fla., is the newly-elected editor of *The Plainsman*, the student newspaper; and Mike Sellers of Auburn is the editor of the *Glomerata*, the student yearbook.

Winners in the individual school elections were:

School of Agriculture: Matt Hall of Midway, president; Jake Harper of Oak Hill, vice president, and Fairlie Haynes of Montgomery, senator.

School of Architecture and Fine Arts: Jim Bradberry of Auburn, president; Scott Barnard of Atlanta, Ga., vice president, and Randy Schrimsher of Huntsville, senator.

School of Arts and Sciences: Robert Barnett of Florence, president; Peggy Johnson of Ozark, vice president; Charlie Payne of Columbus, Ga., Linda Johnson of Birmingham and Kelly Cooper of Decatur, Ga., senators.

School of Business: Billy Ainsworth of Birmingham, president; Cindy Walker of Huntsville, vice president; Doug Eddleman of Birmingham, and Rusty Parker of Birmingham, senators.

School of Education: Susan Carlisle of Columbus, Ga., president; Rhea Cleland of Leesburg, Fla., vice president; Pam Nichols of Auburn, and Cindy

Hinds of Birmingham, senators.

School of Engineering: Bud Rogers of Andalusia, president; Grant Castleberry of East Point, Ga., vice president; Jeff Stone of Birmingham, and Lee Johnson of Atlanta, Ga., senators.

School of Graduate Studies: Grant Davis of Auburn, president; John Fleming of Viola, Ga., vice president; Thomas J. McCormack of Ozark, senator.

School of Home Economics: Helen Kimmel of Camden, president; Chris Christenberry of Montgomery, vice president; Anne Farmer of Birmingham, senator.

School of Pharmacy: Scott Godfrey of Cedar Bluff, president; Eric LaFayette of

Sylacauga, vice president; and Amoret Eiland of Clio, senator.

School of Veterinary Medicine: Ken Jordan of Montgomery, president; H.D. Stokes of Preston, Miss., vice president; and Hal Pate of Burkeville, senator.

New off-campus senators are Rick Abbott of Bessemer; Jack Sherrer of Prattville; Charlie Hart of Pulaski, Tenn.; Tim Smith of Auburn; Alan Little of Daiton, Ga.; Keener Lynn of Auburn; Stan Maloy of Geneva; Mark Cavanaugh of Montgomery; Jeff Meadows of Warner Robins, Ga.; Chuck Steward of Auburn; and Pam Campbell of Macon, Ga.

Ronald Booker of Montgomery will represent on-campus married student housing; Alan Hooley of Rockledge, Fla., on-campus men's residence halls; Tavia Copenhaver of Pt. St. Joe, Fla., and Beth Cheney of Montgomery, women's dorms.

*Dr. Ben Fitzpatrick—*

## New Math Head

Dr. Ben Fitzpatrick, Jr., '52 has been named head of Department of Mathematics at Auburn, effective August 1. Dr. Fitzpatrick will assume the duties of Dr. L. P. Burton, head of the department since 1965, who will return to full-time teaching.

"Dr. Burton helped to build one of the strongest departments of mathematics in the Southeast," said Dean Edward H. Hobbs of the School of Arts and Sciences. "It has both a national and international reputation, particularly in the field of topology."

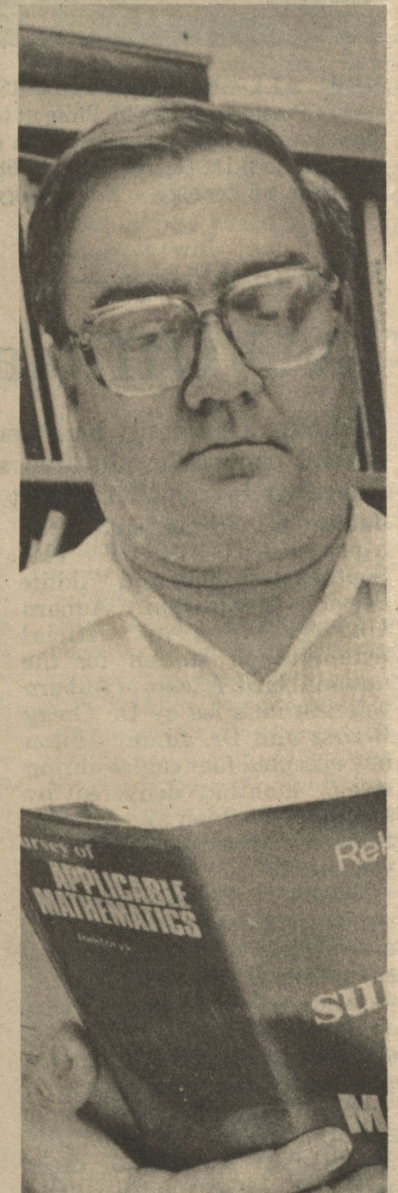
"Dr. Burton exemplifies the faculty-oriented department head; he has served on many important university committees, and has served the institution, the school, and the department with great skill and devotion."

Dr. Fitzpatrick earned the B.A. at Auburn and the M.A. and Ph.D. at the University of Texas. He has worked in industry as a mathematician and analyst and as an engineer.

Dr. Fitzpatrick joined the Auburn faculty in 1959, after

teaching at the University of Texas.

He has served three terms on the Graduate Council and in 1974 was Distinguished Visiting Professor at the American University in Cairo.



Dr. Ben Fitzpatrick

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MISS AUBURN—The Auburn student body elected Susan Long of Birmingham as Miss Auburn in April elections. —AU Photo

*English Head—*

## Patrick To Teach Fulltime

Dr. Walton R. Patrick, head of the Department of English since 1946, will return to fulltime teaching at the end of spring quarter. He has been Hargis Professor of English at Auburn since November, 1975, filling a chair established by the late Estes H. Hargis of Birmingham to foster scholarly research in the humanities and to encourage excellence in teaching.

Dr. Patrick is the author of *Ring Lardner* in the Twayne Series and with Dr. Eugene Current-Garcia is co-editor of *The American Short Story, 1820-Present, What is the Short Story?, Realism and Romanticism in Fiction and Approach to the Novel, and Short Stories of the Western World*. Since 1963, he has been on the editorial committee of the quarterly *Studies in Short Fiction*, which publishes major essays, critical notes, and book reviews.

Dr. Patrick holds the B.S.



Dr. Walton R. Patrick

from Mississippi State and the M.A. and Ph.D. from Louisiana State University. He is a member of the Alabama Society of College English Teachers, the Modern Language Association, the South Atlantic Modern Language Association, the American Association of Uni-

## Lewis To Head Psychology

Dr. Philip M. Lewis has been named to head the Department of Psychology at Auburn University, according to an announcement by Dean Edward H. Hobbs, School of Arts and Sciences. The appointment is effective Aug. 1.

Dr. Lewis is presently teaching at the School of Medicine, University of Pittsburgh, and is director of the group psychotherapy program there.

Dr. Lewis received the M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Syracuse University and has taught at the University of Georgia.

He has written numerous articles and presentations dealing with psychotherapy, testing, self-disclosure, and sensitivity training.

He is a member of the American Psychological Association, the Western Pennsylvania Group Psychotherapy Society, and the Eastern Psychological Association.

versity Professors, and Phi Kappa Phi.

A committee to seek Dr. Patrick's successor includes Dr. Current-Garcia as chairman, Dr. Sara Hudson and Dr. Patrick Morrow, also of English, Dr. Joe Hood, agronomy and soils, Jack Simms of journalism, and Dr. Richard Graves of secondary education.

*With Bright Future—*

## AE Alive & Well

"Man is going to Mars, and we've got to produce the trained engineers to help get him there." So Professor Robert Pitts, as president of the Aerospace Department Chairmen's Association, is spearheading the Association's plans to encourage more students to enter the field of aerospace engineering.

Prof. Pitts, head of Auburn's Aerospace Engineering Department, said that the Association, composed of heads of aerospace engineering departments or equivalent departments throughout the country, was organized in 1971 to combat the drastic reduction of students in aerospace engineering curricula following the largescale cutbacks in the aerospace industry in the early '70s.

"We're trying to correct the

misconception that there is no future in aerospace engineering. That's like saying there are no new areas to explore, no new technological advances to make or aviation horizons to reach for," he said.

At Auburn, aerospace enrollment fell from an all-time high of 492 in the spring of 1969, to 364 a year later, and subsequent enrollment figures show a low of 128 in the spring of 1974.

"This trend was reflected in every aerospace department in the country," Prof. Pitts said. "But enrollment bottomed out two years ago and is climbing back up now."



# Auburn Expects Continued Growth, Needs Support

While other universities and colleges are turning to recruiting services to obtain students to fill their facilities each year, Auburn has had no falling enrollment, and President Harry M. Philpott sees a continued growth into the 80s when the main campus is expected to level out at between 19-20,000 and at Montgomery at 5,000. He then expects the enrollment to stay steady "until about 1990 when there will be another surge in enrollment."

As to whether or not enrollment stays at 19-20,000 "that depends somewhat on needs" says Dr. Philpott. "If, for example, we go into larger programs with agriculture, if the nation is involved with increased demands for agricultural scientists, basically, we are the main source for these so far as this state is concerned. The same is true of some other fields."

"The significant thing here is that we have to be responsible to the needs for personnel, the needs for services. Not all of these can be foreseen, but it is one of the obligations of the land-grant colleges to be sensitive to these and try to respond as best we can to them."

Dr. Philpott added, "While we have made important gains at Auburn, it is erroneous to say that we have met all our needs."

"What we need most of all is a greater understanding of the essential role of higher education, plus continuing support, both financially and in terms of recognition of the importance of what is being done at Auburn."

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**Fellow**—Dean Keith McPheeters of the Auburn School of Architecture and Fine Arts has been named a Fellow of the American Institute of Architects. Fellowship is a lifetime honor bestowed for outstanding contribution to the profession. Dean McPheeters is the 19th person ever selected from Alabama. He has been dean of architecture since 1969 and is a registered architect in

## Month-long Trip To Combine Travel & Study

Anyone over 15 years old is eligible to join a month-long Auburn trip to Rome, Athens, the Greek Isles, London, and Israel. College credit is available through the Auburn Sociology Department for the trip which begins June 29 and ends July 26.

Deborah Siegel, an instructor in the department, is coordinating the trip under the auspices of the Consortium for International Education. Last summer she led a similar trip which was an overwhelming success. The tour includes five days in London, four in Rome, five in Athens, a four-day cruise on the Mediterranean, three days in Tel Aviv, three in Jerusalem, and several days visiting the Golan Heights, Nazareth, Haifa, and other Biblical sites.

The cost of the trip is \$1835 and registration is limited. For further information contact Ms. Siegel in the Sociology Department at (205) 826-5049.

Alabama, Arkansas, and New York. Dean McPheeters served as an assistant professor at Auburn 1951-54 and was on the faculty at the University of Arkansas and was dean and professor at the School of Architecture at Rensselaer prior to returning to Auburn. He is president-elect of the Alabama Council of the AIA and in 1976 received its Merit Award for the design of a residence in Monroeville. He is currently treasurer of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture.

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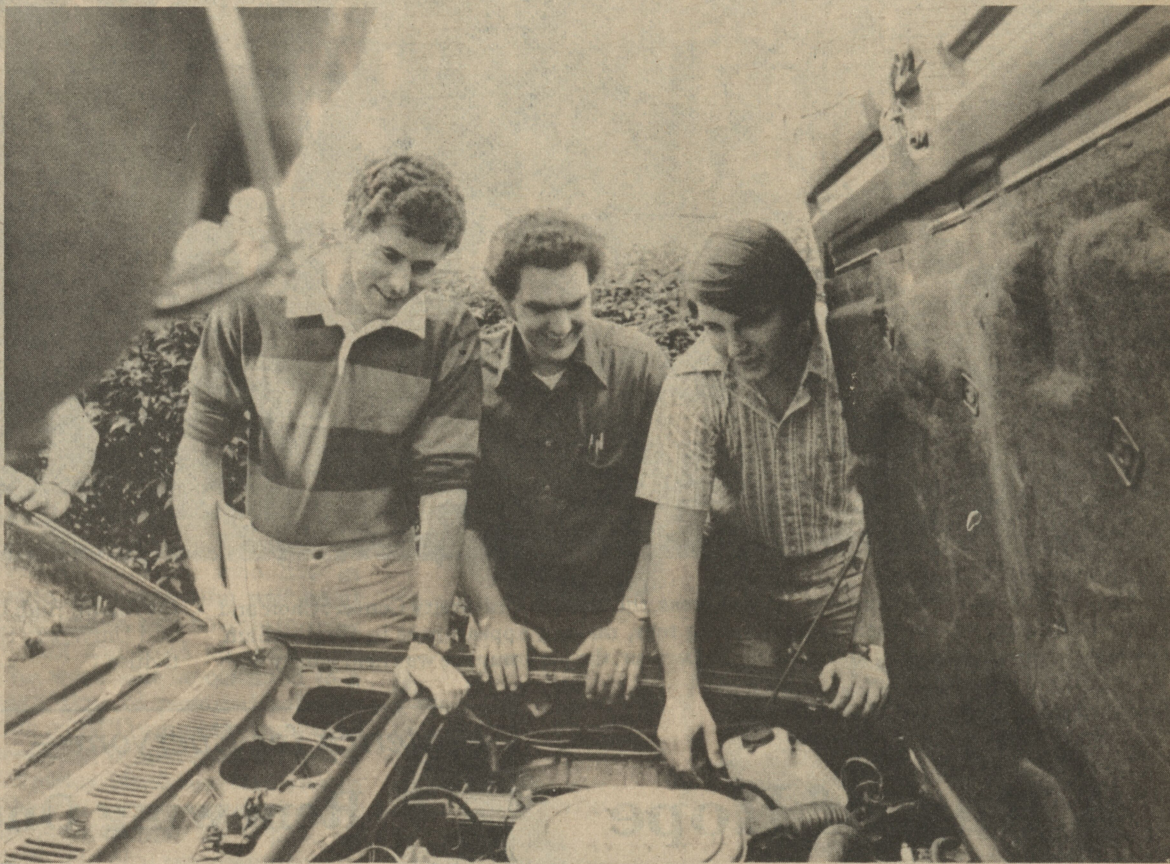
**Anthropology**—Auburn students in the School of Arts and Sciences can now minor in anthropology, and if the current campaign for more students succeeds, a major may not be in the distant future. Dr. B. Eugene Griessman, head of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, says "Anthropology is the science of people. Although we do not yet have an official major, we have a full range of courses, including linguistics, archaeology, physical anthropology, and cultural and social anthropology." A long established discipline in most of the United States, anthropology is emerging in the South. Dr. Ruth C. Busch, assistant professor, believes its growth was slow in this region because anthropologists who studied human biology were among the first scientists to show the falsehoods involved in racism. They were also "closely associated with the study of human evolution." Frances French, who teaches a special course in anthropology now required of all students in the School of Business, believes the study of anthropology enhances other career opportunities: "Many agriculturists, engineers, nutritionists, and teachers spend part of their careers in foreign cultures both here and abroad. Exposure to anthropology can increase both effectiveness and enjoyment, as well as employment possibilities." Biologists, pre-medical and pre-law students need to know about the diversity of the human species and how it got that way, she also pointed out.

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**Patent**—Prof. Martial Honnell of the Auburn Electrical Engineering Department has been granted his third patent in the field of electronics. The patent is for a device, developed on a NASA contract, which generates the radio signal used in FM transmitters and provides better transmission of television and telemetry signals at microwave frequencies. The device can be made in compact form for critical space communications.

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**Sabbatical**—Robert D. Horne, professor of small



**MORE THAN GAS MILEAGE**—Auburn University mechanical engineering students will get a lot of instructional mileage out of this 1977 Vega in lab classes. The car was donated to the Department of

Mechanical Engineering by Dyas Chevrolet of Auburn as part of a program begun by Chevrolet to find a more useful purpose for shipping-damaged cars that can't be sold and that previously wound up in the scrap crusher.

animal surgery, is spending a five-month sabbatical at the University of Cincinnati Medical School where he is involved in surgical conferences, operating room procedures, and research, including a study of the healing of ligaments. He will also present seminars at the Ohio State University Annual Medical Conference, attend the Orthopedic Conference as a laboratory instructor, and will lecture to senior veterinary students and surgical residents as a visiting professor at Ohio State. Along with Dr. James Milton of the Auburn Department of Small Animal Surgery and Medicine, he is writing an orthopedic teaching manual.

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**Elected**—Marylu K. McEwen, assistant professor of counselor education, has been elected to a two-year term as University Section Director of the National Association for Women Deans, Administrators, and Counselors.

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**Math Institute**—For the second year Auburn has received a National Science Foundation grant to conduct a six-week summer mathematics institute for bright high school students. The institute, to be held on campus June 13-July 22, will involve 42 students, primarily those in the 11th grade. Directed by Dr. Jack Rogers, the institute will introduce the students to ideas from modern algebra, graph theory, topology, and real analysis.

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**Good Grades**—Student government leaders at Auburn average better grades than the student body at large according to studies by the Office of Stu-

dent Affairs. Grades of SGA officers, cabinet members, and student senators are higher than the all-college and all-undergraduate averages for the past three years. Dr. Drew Ragan, associate dean of student affairs, points out that grades for the student senators have increased each fall for the past three years: last fall they averaged 2.145 on a 3.0 scale. In 1975 they averaged 2.088, and in 1974, 1.856. The executive cabinet average moved up from 1.968 in 1974 to 2.074 in 1975, but dropped slightly to 1.988 in 1976. The all-college average has increased from 1.699 to 1.707 and the all-undergraduate average from 1.633 to 1.651 during the same three year period.

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**Adolescence**—Adolescent Specialist Dr. William Long on a recent visit to Auburn said the reason that many teenage marriages fail is because the people involved are not yet what they're going to be. Dr. Long, whose visit to Auburn culminated Student Health Week, listed four stages of development: physical development, psycho-sexual, ambivalent, and search for identity. About the first stage, he pointed out that girls today enter puberty about a year earlier than their mothers and boys grow about two inches taller than their fathers. The psycho-sexual development stage, sometimes called the homosexual stage, results in the sexes congregating together in such groups as scouting. Not realizing that adolescents will grow out of this stage, doctors have unwittingly contributed to homosexuality, Dr. Long said, by advising people to "live with it," when the stage outlives its normal run. Maturation does not come at the same rate for everyone he added. Dr. Long considers the most difficult

stage for both the adolescents and their parents as the "ambivalent" stage with mixed up feelings and emotions toward authority. Campus unrest is part of the ambivalent development, Dr. Long believes: "The college becomes the surrogate parents on whom the young people can vent their spleen. Some activities are good, some bad, some useful. But all are normal." A fourth level of development comes when young people see the imperfection of others mirrored in themselves: "This is usually during the time when they must make career decisions, and rather than attempt to change society, they now try to change themselves," he said, noting that suicide is the second highest cause of death among college students.

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**Image 77**—Auburn's annual apparel art show will be held May 24 in the Union Gallery. Sponsored by Fashion, Inc., and the Department of Consumer Affairs, Image 77 is a competitive fashion show. Certificates and cash awards will be given to students in three categories, construction and craftsmanship, original garment design, and original textile design. Carol Walthall of Crestview, Fla., is director of the show.

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**Elected**—Dr. Frank J. Stevens, chairman of the Auburn Pre-medical and Pre-dental Advisory Committee, has been chosen chairman-elect of the Southeastern Association of Advisors for the Health Professions. For the past three years, Dr. Stevens had been secretary of the organization, which works closely with such groups as the Association of American Medical Colleges, the American Medical Association, and the American Dental Association.





**SPRING TOUR**—As *The Alumnews* goes to press, the Auburn University Concert Choir and University Singers are on their annual spring tour, making appearances in Birmingham, Huntsville, Florence, Decatur, and Athens. In Decatur, the performance was held jointly with

the Austin High Choir and the Samford University A Cappella Choir. Auburn's Concert Choir and University Singers are under the direction of Dr. Thomas R. Smith, director of choral activities.

*Here and There—*

## A Ray of Hope

By Jerry Roden, Jr., '46

If there is still anyone around who doubts that academic standards have virtually disappeared from many public schools, let him note this recent event: The superintendent of Birmingham City Schools announced as a system-shaking innovation the requirement of seventh grade proficiency for high school graduation. The gentleman was obviously in earnest, and the step that Birmingham schools thus took unquestionably represents a significant advance in standards.



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Furthermore, all of the evidence that I can gather suggests that similar actions by all school systems in the nation would mark a significant reversal of a down-hill slide. As Dr. Max Rafferty notes: "... our public schools during the past decade have been churning out hundreds of thousands of functional illiterates." And real seventh-grade proficiency does involve a modicum of functional literacy.

Therefore, my first inclination is to congratulate superintendent W. F. Cody and his colleagues in the Birmingham schools on two counts: first for courageously admitting by implication how bad things have gotten and second for taking the initial step necessary for remedial action.

However, I must confess a further inclination to question the adequacy of that initial step. My friend Dr. Robert Andelson of the Auburn University Department of Philosophy cut to the heart of the matter in a letter to *The Birmingham News*: He asked why recipients of high school diplomas should not be required to attain twelfth-grade proficiency.

For days after I read Dr. Andelson's letter, this response kept running through my mind: Why not? Indeed, why not! Therefore, I was pleased to learn through a recent column by Dr. Rafferty of a Gallup survey which reveals that Americans favor two-to-one that "high school seniors be required to pass a standardized examination before they would be eligible to receive a diploma."

Maybe, just maybe, things are taking the right turn for those of us who agree with Dr. Rafferty that a high school diploma should be "a revered and hallowed document" which means something.

*Esoterica for Everyone—*

## Renewing One's Faith in Weathermen

By Bob Sanders '52

(Reprinted from *The Auburn Bulletin*)

I saw some weather taking place right before my eyes. One of those "fronts" they talk about made an entrance just for me.

For days, the weather had been unseasonably hot and clear, nice, typical June weather, in April. The weather forecasters started predicting rain: "50 percent chance of thundershowers tonight, 70 percent tomorrow."

The natural thought at such a preposterous prediction was, "Pshaw." They couldn't know what they were talking about.

So I came home late that afternoon after a hard day of off-bearing slabs, poured out of my truck, and staggered around to the back yard, pausing only momentarily to snatch savagely at a bright new European white poplar sprout that had grown sixteen inches since that morning, and tumbled tiredly into the old frayed and bent aluminum and plastic lawn chair.

I unfolded the paper of the day, the *Constitution* I think it was, and scanned over the editorial pages and the funnies and then concentrated for a moment on straightening out the terrible bidding mess that had been perpetrated in the bridge column, mumbling at such stupidity under my breath.

After I marked around over that, gently pointing out how the hands should have been bid, I put the paper down and totally relaxed, which is the thing I do best. Nearly everybody is good at something. I stretched and admired for the thousandth time the wonderfully varied shades of green on the trees in our little back yard, the leaves of the two surviving (out of an original nine) white birches, gently weeping on their slender limbs, the soft green of the apple leaves, the solid green of the now fully-leaved oaks, the thinner green of the wild cherries, the almost hidden maple leaves, the dogwoods, the redbud, the elm, the pines. . . .

Beautiful. Shaggy, untrimmed, but beautiful. I looked up by and through the leaves at the cloudless sky, in which some chimney sweeps were out insect hunting. "50 percent chance of rain, my foot!"

And then, over the top of the house, I saw, rapidly approaching from the west, a cloud mass. It was not a gradual thing; the areas were very clearly marked. Here was perfectly clear sky; and there, as if drawn by an artist, were clouds, rolling, boiling, moving, restless, everchanging

clouds. The first part I saw from my vantage point was white and billowy, with a super bright edge around it.

That part, I discovered as the clouds rolled on toward me, was merely the topping, the frosting, the whipped cream on a hot fudge sundae. Beautiful as the top part was, as it spread out like a speeded-up film of the opening of a rose bud, the effect was heightened even more by the contrasting sinister menace of the dark part.

The danger of rain was not immediate, so I lay there and watched, as a jay bird made life miserable for a squirrel who had innocently, one presumes, wandered into the area claimed by the blue jay. The squirrel scurried up one tree and down another with the jay in hot pursuit, pecking and flapping and carrying on something awful.

I felt like telling the bird that the squirrel was at least as welcome back there as he was, but I didn't really feel in the mood to change any balances of nature around, so I just watched and mildly sympathized with the squirrel, who must have been wondering what in the world he had done to deserve all this.

They, the squirrel and the blue jay, had made their contribution. Between them and the leaves and the skies, I had been treated to a very minor, very low key — but no less precious — little show put on by nature. The effect had been beneficial and healing. My faith in weathermen had been restored, and in the space of, oh, ten or fifteen minutes. I had recuperated from another nice but long day and was ready for whatever the night had in store for me.

Even a City Council meeting.

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# ONLY YESTERDAY

By David Williams '74

**Fifty Years Ago:** Reports began to filter down from the Social Committee that Weidemeyer and his famous orchestra would be performing for the senior prom dances May 19, 20, and 21. Weidemeyer had performed the previous year at the Junior Prom and was so well liked that the students decided to bring him back for a return engagement. Over 750 invitations had been mailed out and it was thought that more "fair ones" would grace the floor of the Alumni Gym than ever before in the history of the gala functions. In fact, one *Plainsman* writer was prompted to report, "Forth from Beauty's most remote haunts have been summoned the flower of Southern womanhood as companions to the Villagers and the gaiety of the dances is assured by the number who have evidenced their intention of attending."

Gloria Swanson starred in *Love of Sonya* which was being shown at Langdon Hall on May 18. The film was Gloria's first independent production and released through United Artists Pictures.

After a weeks absence, Dr. George Petrie resumed his current events lectures May 7. His topic was the Mississippi Flood and he emphasized the remedies which would prevent the occurrence of such floods in the future. He said, "Our country is today facing a great disaster. The Chicago Fire, the San Francisco Earthquake, the Galveston Deluge, the Florida Storm were terrible enough, but the flood now sweeping the Mississippi Valley, the greatest in

history, bids fair to surpass them all in destructiveness. The scenes of desolation now extend through seven states, thousands of square miles of fertile land have been covered with water. Houses, stock, and improvements of all kinds have been swept away. Towns and farms have fared alike. One quarter of a million persons are homeless, thousands of pitiful refugees are crowded into camps and exist upon the charity of others. The heart of the nation is touched."

The *Plainsman's* gossip columnist noted that Stewart had proven beyond a doubt that he was a ladies man. Apparently Stewart had gone over to Columbus and all the boys who had girls over there were now looking for new ones. "Keep up heart fellows, if you can't find a girl for yourself then go get a co-ed."

"Bruce Harkens must surely have himself intrenched firmly in the heart of at least one co-ed for her to hug blankets and talk in worship terms about him in her sleep."

"Haven't heard from 'Goofy' Nuchols in two weeks. He must be sick."

**Forty Years Ago:** D. C. Smith, an agent with the FBI stationed in Birmingham, spoke to over 500 students in government and political science. Mr. Smith said that, "Uncle Sam's G-men do not employ third-degree methods in obtaining

evidence. If we can't get the evidence in a legal manner we don't want it." He went on to say, "There is nothing mysterious about the value and operation of the Bureau's vast finger-print files in Washington where there are now over seven million cards. So far finger-prints from no two individuals have been found to be identical."

The Tiger polo team was defeated for the second consecutive time at the hands of the Atlanta Horse Guards May 23 when they fell before the superior riding and scoring of the Atlanta foursome by the score of 7 to 1.

The following ad appeared in the *Plainsman*: "Wanted—50 Auburn students who live in south Alabama who will be at their homes and be able to work during the week of June 7-14. The work will be confined to a high type of personal solicitation on RFD routes in your home territory. If interested fill in the following blank and turn over to *The Plainsman* not later than Wednesday May 26, 6 p.m., as there will be a representative in Auburn to give all who are accepted complete information Wednesday evening."\*

**Thirty Years Ago:** Women were smarter than men according to the grade releases of API's registrar's office. Figures showed that women students averaged 2.26 while the men lagged behind with a 2.17 mark.

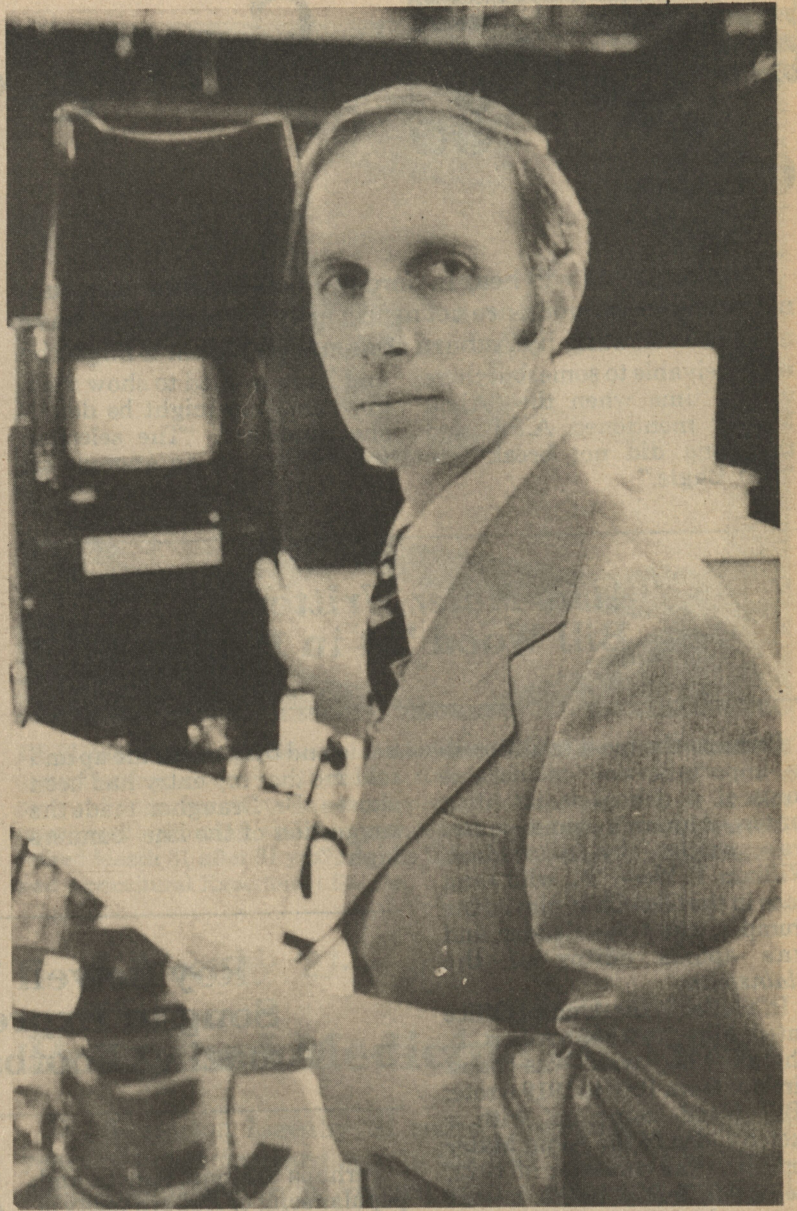
It was announced in the May issue of the *Alumnews* that the editor of the National Collegiate Track and Field Rules Book for 1947 was Auburn's Wilbur Hutsell, who at that time had coached the Auburn tracksters since 1921 and was a member of America's Big Five in his profession. Coach Hutsell was also a former president of the National Track Coaches Association.

Homecoming Day was to be October 4 when Auburn played Louisiana Tech instead of the Auburn-Florida game as previously announced. It was necessary to move the Florida game to Montgomery due to lack of adequate stadium facilities at Auburn.

You didn't have to be good looking to lead an Auburn coed to the altar in 1947, but it helped if you had money. A poll taken of students in Auburn's Marriage and Family course reported that 82 percent of the girls didn't care about looks, but 19 percent insisted upon an economic rank higher than their own. With men outnumbering women 5 to 1, Auburn coeds could afford to be particular.

**Twenty Years Ago:** Auburn's twelve women's dormitories were named by the API board of trustees for twelve women who had been prominent in the history of the API or of Alabama. Four of the women were still living and the legislature had to approve the use of their names. (Alabama law prohibits naming a state building after a living person unless approved by the legislature.) The living women were Margaret Kate Teague, who was one of the first three women to graduate from API in

\*David Williams would like to hear from anyone who responded to the ad—curiosity's killing him.



**NAMED AT ETV**—Jim Stone has been named assistant director of Auburn Educational Television. He has been with Auburn television since 1968.

## Stone Named at ETV

Jim Stone has been named assistant director of Educational Television at Auburn University, according to Dr. Taylor Littleton, vice president for academic affairs. The

newly-created position was effective March 1. Mr. Stone joined the Auburn television staff in 1968 as production manager and in 1971 was promoted to production and engineering manager.

1894; Dana King Gatchell, Auburn home economics teacher for 30 years; Marie Bankhead Owen, head of the State Department of Archives and History for many years; and Helen Keller, the blind and deaf Tusculumbia native who was an internationally famous writer and lecturer.

During May, Jeff Beard and Shug Jordan played host to Georgia Tech's Bobby Dodd and several other members of the Yellow Jacket coaching staff for a two-day fishing trip. According to the *Alumnews*, "The Loveliest Village has the lakes (over 400 in all), plus some of the state's best fishermen in Jeff Beard, Shug Jordan, Shot Senn, Wilbur Hutsell, and President Ralph Draughon."

As head football coach Ralph (Shug) Jordan began his spring workouts for the 1957 campaign, the coaching staff contained more Auburn graduates than any staff in the Southeastern Conference. The staff included Coach Jordan '32, Shot Senn '33, Joel Eaves '37, Dick McGowen '41, Hal Herring '48, Vince Dooley '54, and George Atkins '55.

"In this age of highly specialized people, it is a real bonanza to have someone on staff as many-sided as Jim Stone," said Ed Wegener, director of Auburn ETV. "He is a thoughtful planner, an excellent engineer, and a sensitive and imaginative program producer. It is a rare thing to find such a combination of skills in broadcasting."

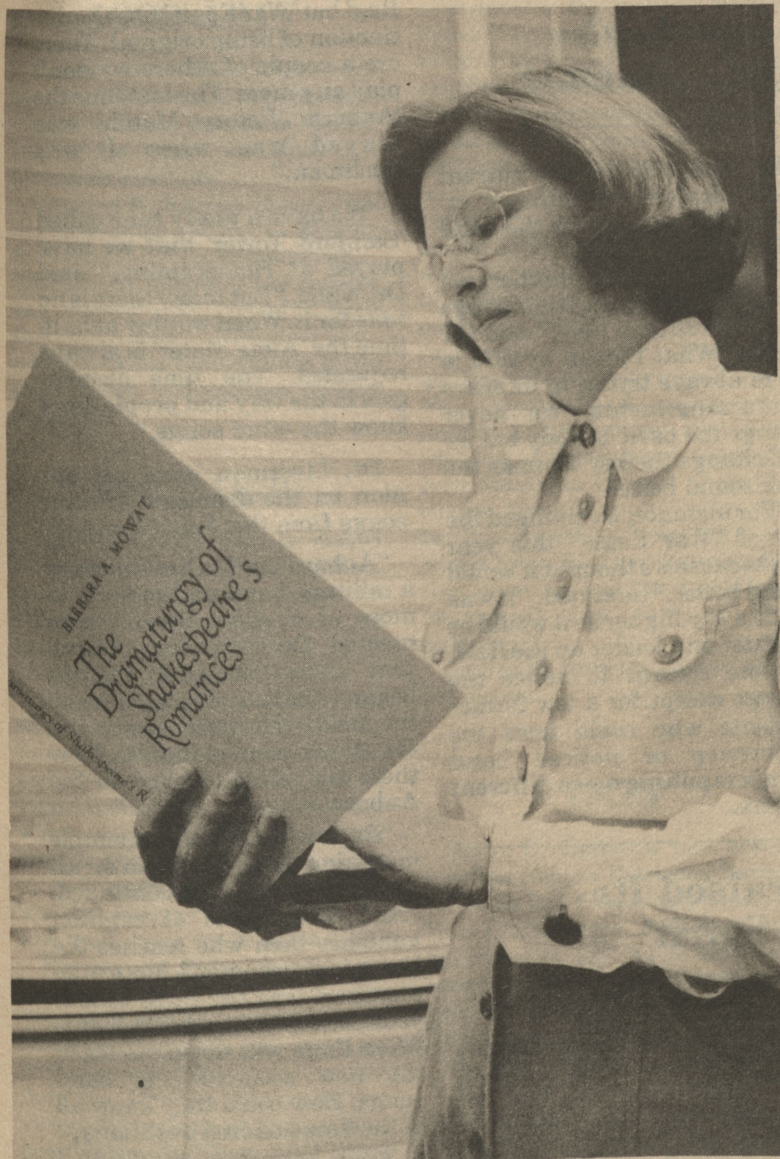
Mr. Stone is involved in basic and innovative electronic design, as well as using the new color equipment in the Auburn Studios. He has just finished producing an eight-program teaching series on metrication for the state of Alabama.

In addition to his other duties, Mr. Stone assists with the design and implementation of campus facilities for video instruction, acting as media consultant for the various schools.

A native of Shelbyville, Tenn., Mr. Stone earned the bachelor of arts degree at David Lipscomb College, and the master of arts in television at Michigan State University.

Prior to joining the Auburn staff, Mr. Stone was senior producer-director at WDCN-TV, Nashville. He has worked in radio in Tennessee and Michigan.

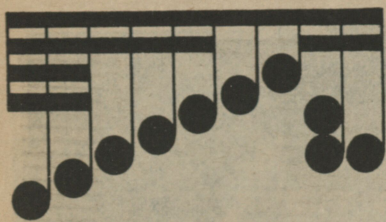
Stone is married to Mary Lou Finnelly of Shelbyville, and they have two children, Beth, six, and Jay, three.



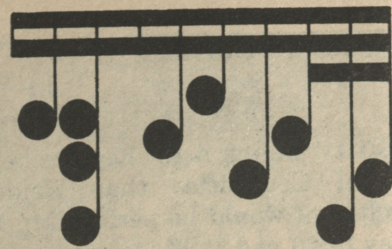
**NEW BOOK**—Dr. Barbara Adams Mowat '56 holds a copy of her new book *The Dramaturgy of Shakespeare's Romances*, which deals with William Shakespeare's last three plays. The book is available through the University of Georgia Press. Dr. Mowat is an associate professor of English.

—Photo by Lee Weaver





# Songs of Auburn



By Janet Daly '77

The songs you will hear in Jordan-Hare Stadium on a sunny football afternoon are not necessarily the songs that have always been sung by Auburn students and fans. It might be inconceivable to some, but there was a time when the "Alma Mater" mentioned A.P.I. and the band did not break into "War Eagle."

and I just wanted to show them how the song might be done," she continued. "The selection was chosen on an anonymous

spirit being vented in these driving lines....

"This insipid, anemic attempt to versify one of the supreme bellows of our time is just plain tragic. If it should supplant the yell in the Auburn stands this year, we will not answer for the consequences on the field. It's for the Ladies Aid Society, not Auburn."

The *Lee County Bulletin* differed from the *Advertiser* in its opinion of "War Eagle": "War Eagle" is a fighting song expressing in music the undaunted spirit of today's revitalized Tigers."

Other Auburn songs were as popular in their day as "War Eagle" has proven in recent years. In 1936, publication of the

Mr. Sykes said that after suggestions of harmonic con-

running so we can only play during a time out," continued Dr.

## Alma Mater Written by Bill Wood '24 in 1922

Perhaps the most traditional-ly important and memorable song of a school is its alma mater. Auburn's alma mater was written by a student, William T. Wood '24, who sang bass in the Glee Club, played the trumpet, was a cheerleader, and was sports editor of the *Plainsman*.

In a letter to the Alumni Office dated May, 5, 1955, Albert L. Thomas '04, who was band director from 1907 to 1919 wrote: "Bill Wood 'came up' with a sketchy idea of the Alma Mater song, the fall-semester of 1922. He spent many hours in our home, playing the piano and talking about the song. Mrs. Thomas helped with arranging a sequence of phrases, and by re-arranging his theme to fit the changes, he 'came up' with the 'natural' flowing theme of the Alma Mater song.

"It required only slight change later to make it perfect, and the song was officially adopted in the fall of 1923 and was duly recognized by College authorities in that academic year 1923-24."

James E. Foy, dean of student affairs at Auburn, remembers Bill Wood as an "influential person in my life." Dean Foy was eleven years old when Wood stayed at his home in Eufaula.

"Bill was in the Auburn Glee Club which would travel through the state and members would stay at various homes in the community," said Dean Foy. "He and my brother were in the same fraternity and Bill would always take time to visit with me and teach me songs."

basis and they called me up and told me that my entry had been chosen. Dr. Draughon made the suggestion of the line 'banners high'."

## Roy Sewell '22 Wanted Song to Express 'Spirit of Amazing Football Comeback'

Perhaps the most famous and popular song of Auburn today is "War Eagle." The idea for a new fight song came from an Auburn graduate; the words and music originated in New York City. The song was a gift to the Auburn Alumni Association from Roy Sewell '22. Mr. Sewell felt that Auburn needed a new fight song "to express the spirit which has sparked the Tiger's amazing football comeback." He commissioned New York song writers Robert Allen and Al Stillman to produce words and music.

Dr. Hubert Liverman, who teaches piano today at Auburn, was head of the Music Department when "War Eagle" was written. He recalled being on a committee selected to hear the new song.

"Albert Thomas, P. R. Bidez, and David Herbert who were band directors and Joe Sarver, secretary of the Alumni Association, and I met at the Union Building where there was a piano," said Dr. Liverman.

"All agreed that it was a good

three most popular songs of Auburn—"Alma Mater," "Auburn Victory March," and "Fight 'Em Tiger"—came about "because of the numerous requests received each year from other colleges and from radio stations."

## Critics Called War Eagle 'Sniveling,' 'Insipid,' 'Anemic'

Maltby Sykes, now Alumni Artist-in-Residence at Auburn, collaborated with Joe Marino on the song "Fight 'Em Tiger" in 1931. "A prize was offered by the Auburn A Club for a fight song," Mr. Sykes remembers. "I was in Birmingham at the time and the contest was publicized throughout the area. As a child I studied music and I had about four years' experience playing in a jazz band in Tuscaloosa. I did not consider myself a professional musician though.

"This was the depths of the Depression and the prize money would not seem like much now, but it was then—particularly when you are young and freelancing. I decided to turn out a song and felt qualified to do so," he continued.

"Joe, who was an established musician—I was taking music

struction and wording the two song writers merged their entries. Part of the song is:

"Cheer the team that's fighting for old Auburn's fame.

Back that team on every play. Even as the men who fought before they came.

They will win again today."

It might be interesting to note that neither Mr. Sykes or Mr. Marino had ever been to Auburn before they wrote their songs.

"The song was motivated by a desire to pick up some money," added Mr. Sykes. "Even though we had never visited Auburn before the song, we both ended up here as teachers in the Art Department."

Looking back, one might wonder how the favorites of the past such as the "Auburn Victory March" or "Samford Tower" seem to exist no longer or why certain songs are played today.

Dr. Billy Walls, the current band director for Auburn, explains the reasons for the band selections.

"In one form or another, we have been using the same songs since I have been here," said Dr. Walls. "What I mean by that is we're always trying to improve the arrangements. We never change the basic melody but we will change the key to make the tune sound better.

"For instance, we changed the key of "War Eagle" this year just because we thought it would sound better," he stated. "It was made a key higher so it would be brighter and louder on the field. No one seemed to notice the change except for a few former students who could hear the difference or noticed band members putting down different fingers.

Walls. "So we shortened the song. 'Tiger Rag' was originally two minutes which was too long for a football game. Dr. Vinson re-arranged the tune so it is now 55 seconds and since a time out is 60 seconds we have enough time."

Dr. Vinson added that the old arrangement of "Tiger Rag" had a slow beginning so he re-arranged it to liven the pace of the band on the field.

"In my opinion, the 'Alma Mater' is the prettiest one I know and is at least one of the few original ones in the U.S.," said Dr. Walls. "For example, the University of Alabama borrowed theirs from Cornell. And our main fight song is as good as any."

"We certainly have more songs than anyone else," commented Dr. Vinson. "Glory to Ole Auburn" and "Tiger Rag" are standard tunes that other colleges use. LSU uses "Tiger Rag" but "War Eagle" has the distinction of being original. There are a couple of others we don't play any more. The last time the 'Auburn Victory March' was played was when I was freshman."

"We have a pretty tune called 'Samford Tower' that we have played at Homecoming," said Dr. Walls. "But today there is no time for it. When we play at half-time the 'Alma Mater' is always requested. The time element gets in the way and people don't know the other songs."

Dr. Liverman gave his opinion on the dismissal of some songs from the Auburn annals.

"Auburn used to have more of a military band and today it is more of a show band," commented Dr. Liverman. "Half-time shows changed and we began to have more pageants on the field—television has made the shows more elaborate. Now there isn't time to play all the Auburn songs.

"Back when there was simple marching there was room for all the fight songs," he continued. "And if the line of tradition vanishes then who teaches the incoming freshmen? For example, there was the three to four year period during World War II when there was no one to teach the new students the band songs. How could they know all of the time-honored traditions?"

Through the years, the military marches and lively tunes have come and gone. Some are still played today and others are but memories indelibly etched in the minds of alumni.

## Revision Needed When API Became AU in 1960

In 1960, the state legislature officially changed the name of the university from Alabama Polytechnic Institute (A.P.I.) to Auburn. The student senate was in charge of removing the words "A.P.I." from the Alma Mater and sponsored a revision contest. Dean Foy's wife, Emmalu, sent in the version that the student body adopted.

"Everyone was excited about the change of name to Auburn and many people sent in alma mater song entries," said Mrs. Foy. "I was concerned that they might do something like end the song 'dear old Auburn U' which did not seem right to me.

"People were saying that nothing rhymed with Auburn

song and there were just a couple of points to straighten out. Although the old fellows there thought I played it too fast and the young ones thought it was too slow," he added with a chuckle.

"I was commissioned to write the marching band music to it which is still used today," he noted. "We ran it off on a ditto machine and sent it off to every major college."

However, not everyone appreciated the new gift to the university.

An editorial in the *Montgomery Advertiser* stated: "But imagine if you can, in either supreme victory or utter defeat, Auburn's uncontrollable

lessons from him—also decided to submit a song. The authorities noted that both entries were from the same region of Birmingham. "They also decided that neither of these songs actually worked as they stood. I got a call from Bull Steer asking me about the possibility of Joe and I merging our entries and sharing the award."

## Enthusiasts Praised Its 'Undaunted Spirit'

"Over the years, Dr. Vinson (Johnny Vinson '65 is the assistant band director) has re-arranged 'Tiger Rag'. We have nothing against 'Tiger Rag' except that in its original form it was too slow for practical purposes on the field.

"Under SEC rules we're not allowed to play while the clock is



# Ag Economics Teacher Retires

By Gene Stevenson

Agricultural Experiment Station Information Services

Prof. J. Homer Blackstone '38, agricultural economics teacher and researcher who has played a major role in Alabama's recreational advancements during the past 10 years, retired March 31 from the Auburn University faculty. A veteran of 31 years on the School of Agriculture-Agricultural Experiment Station faculty, Prof. Blackstone worked across the board in agricultural economics until 1966 when he began specialized efforts in the field of recreation research. His work in that area, under contract from the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, has provided the detailed information needed by that Department in promoting public and private recreational developments in Alabama.

Some 27 major reports comprising the 1970 and 1975 Alabama Comprehensive Outdoor Recreational Plan, prepared by Prof. Blackstone and his graduate students, provided the basis for Alabama's efforts in recreational planning and development and helped the State maintain eligibility for federal recreational funding. In addition, he was project leader for studies leading to fish, forest and wildlife, and fire management plans for 14 Army Corps of

Engineers lakes in the Southeast.

Born in Dalton, Ga., Prof. Blackstone first came to Auburn as a freshman in 1934. He worked for the Department of Agricultural Economics as an undergraduate and then as a graduate student beginning in 1938. Following additional study at University of Kentucky and nearly four years of Marine Corps service during World War II, he came back to Auburn to stay in 1946.

A long list of popular and technical articles and Agricultural Experiment Station publications report on Prof. Blackstone's research dealing with crop and livestock production, marketing, and consumer economics during 1946-66. He regularly appeared before local, state, and national groups, relating his research findings to improving the agricultural economy of Alabama and the Southeast.

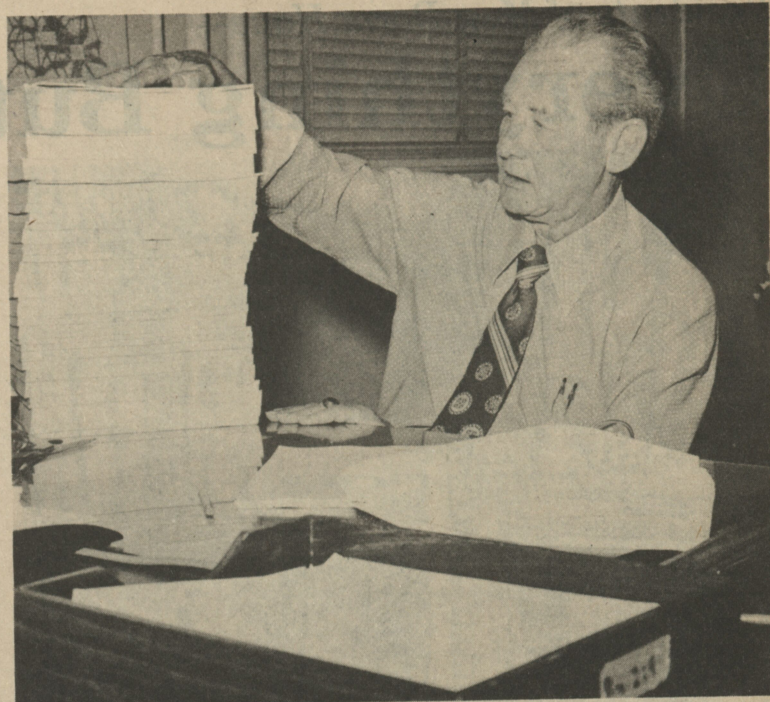
Teaching has been an equally important part of Prof. Blackstone's work. He is remembered by two generations of agriculture students for his teaching of both undergraduate

and graduate level courses in agricultural economics.

An indication of Prof. Blackstone's national standing is the \$874,356 in outside grants and contracts that has come to the University in support of his projects. A current contract being completed, to continue the recreational work, will push the total past the million-dollar mark.

A certificate of merit awarded by the Alabama Historical Commission and membership on the Alabama Historical Forts and Trails Committee are recent recognitions to Mr. Blackstone. He holds membership in Gamma Sigma Delta, Alpha Phi Omega, and Omicron Delta Epsilon honor societies, and the American Agricultural Economics Association, Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists, and the Alabama Education Association.

Official retirement does not signal the end of Prof. Blackstone's work with Auburn's recreational research efforts. Emeritus status will permit him to continue to provide guidance to the project and to graduate students involved, he says, and to assist the department in any way possible.



**RETIRES**—Prof. J. Homer Blackstone '38, Auburn professor of agricultural economics and rural sociology, looks over the 27 reports prepared under his direction since he began fulltime research on outdoor recreational planning and development 10 years ago. Prof. Blackstone retired March 31 after 31 years on the faculty of the School of Agriculture and Agricultural Experiment Station.

A. H. Lisenby '21—

## Practiced Medicine 40 Years

Dr. A. Horton Lisenby '21 retired December 15 after 40 years of practicing medicine in the Bay County, Fla., area. After graduating from Auburn with a degree in chemical

engineering, he taught math at Montgomery Bell Prep School in Nashville, Tenn., while studying optometry. He practiced this profession for four years in Florence before entering Tulane University Medical College. After finishing his internship at Touro Infirmary in New Orleans, La., he went to Atmore to practice with his brother, Dr. J. O. Lisenby. He then moved to Panama City, Fla., where he practiced with Dr. J. M. Whitfield until 1940, when he built Lisenby Hospital, now closed after 36 years of operation.

Dr. Lisenby practiced in many medical areas such as brain surgery, orthopedics, and pediatrics. He delivered over 5,000 babies in his years of

medicine. "Times change," says Dr. Lisenby. "I have had a lot of fun and interesting cases throughout the years. I have a number of good friends and I still receive letters from people whom I have met or cared for. They really make me feel good."

Dr. Lisenby is the past president of the Florida State Board of Medical Examiners, member of the Florida, Southern, and American Medical Associations, Florida Association of Industrial and Railway Surgeons, and past member of the Industrial Medical Association and Aero Medical Association. He is a member of St. Andrews Bay Yacht Club, charter member and past president of the Panama City Rotary club, member of the Al Menah Shrine Temple in Nashville, Tenn., and an honorary member of the Morocco Shrine Temple in Jacksonville. Dr. Lisenby serves as a director of Bay National Bank and Trust Company, Security Federal Savings and Loan Association, and the Bay County Airport Authority.

Dr. Lisenby has two daughters, Mrs. Ann Palmer and Mrs. Marie Bazemore '65, and five grandchildren.



Dr. A. Horton Lisenby '21

# Auburn Alumnalities

1909-1917

Robert A. White '09 of Pensacola, Fla., wants his Auburn friends to know that he is "in the land of the living." Mr. White is a pharmacy graduate....

Charles B. Martin '13 now lives in Peterborough, N. H.... C. Hunter Wallace '14 lives in Birmingham.... William K. Askew '17 of Auburn has received a 1977 Award of Merit from the Alabama Historical Commission for his contributions to the preservation of Alabama historic resources.

1924-1930

Mary Woolley '24 has moved from Montevallo to Rogersville.... Lt. Col. Robert M. Mann '26 (USAR) has retired as a vice president of New York Telephone Co. He now lives in Cedar Bluff....

Ronnie V. Oglesby '27 has moved to Saginaw.... Percy Beard '29, former Auburn track star, was inducted into the Alabama Hall of Fame in February. A Bronze Medal winner in the Olympics, he was an assistant track coach and instructor in civil engineering before joining the University of Florida where he was track coach for 25 years....

Herman A. Price, Sr., '30 now lives in Montgomery.... Myrtle Wilson '30 retired from the Florida Extension Service in 1966 and lives with her twin sister, who is retired from the Alabama Extension Service, at their home on Lake Jordan near Wetumpka. They spend many volunteer hours at the local hospital.

1932-1934

Angel P. (Joe) Perez '32 retired

as member of the board of Florida Power Corp. on March 26. He began working for the company in 1936 as a night shift operator at the Jackson Bluff Hydro plant and went straight up the ladder to become president in 1967 and then board chairman. According to an article in the *St. Petersburg Times*, Mr. Perez was known as "the company brain" and when he became president the utility company set out to cut costs and pass the savings along to its customers at a time when other utilities were raising costs. In 1970 Mr. Perez told a management meeting "Our constant goal is to continue the downward trend we have started in the cost of electric energy. Across the nation today, virtually every utility is seeking to increase rates. We have reduced ours five times in two years and our customers can now see the difference."

James H. Roberts '34 now lives in Clanton.

1935

John B. Deavors has retired from the Auburn Extension Service where he had been county agent in Hale County since 1946. He began his career in 1937 as an assistant county agent in Mobile County and held the same position in Dallas County in 1940-1941....

Sterling Dupree, a standout at fullback and on the Auburn track team, was inducted into the Georgia Sports Hall of Fame in February. He has spent more than 25 years as a member of the coaching staff at the University of Georgia, where he coached Bulldog backs until taking over recruiting duties.

Paul W. Alston now lives in Ocala, Fla.

Alvin Morland has been listed in the 15th edition of Who's Who in the South and Southeast. Mr. Morland was listed for his work as an association executive. He has been executive vice president of the Pompano Beach, Fla., Chamber of Commerce since 1963.

Lawrence C. Alsobrook '37, county agent in Dallas County, has been honored by the Dallas County Junior Cattlemen's Association, with the establishment of the Alsobrook Honorary Award which will be presented annually to the outstanding junior cattleman of Dallas County. The Citizens Bank & Trust Co. directors established the award in recognition of Mr. Alsobrook's many years of service to the people of Selma and Dallas County. Mr. Alsobrook transferred to Dallas County in 1949. He has received state and national recognition for his work in agriculture and is a past president of the Alabama Association of County Agents. He and his wife, Jeanette, have two children: Billy of Selma, and Larry, Jr., '67 of Auburn.

1938

Dock S. Loyd, County agent in Blount County since 1954, has retired from the Extension Service. He had served as an assistant agent in Jackson, Blount, and Limestone Counties and as County agent in Madison County before moving to Blount County.

1939

J.C. Bullington, district agent-coordinator for Southeast Alabama with the Extension Service, retired from the Service on Feb. 28. He moved to Auburn as district agent in 1962. He previously had been

Walker County Agent for 18 years. He joined Extension in 1939 in Winston County and later served as county agent in Etowah County and as specialist in seed marketing at Auburn before moving to Walker County. Mr. Bullington is a past president of the Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents. In 1964 he received the Distinguished Service Award from the National Association of County Agricultural Agents.

Mary Hulsey, district agent-home economics for North Alabama, retired from the Extension Service on Feb. 28. Miss Hulsey came to Auburn in 1946 as foods and nutrition specialist after earning an M.S. in foods and nutrition at Columbia University. She previously had served as homedemonstration agent in Crenshaw and Chambers Counties. As foods and nutrition specialist, she was responsible for revising and modernizing the Auburn Cookbook, which became one of the most popular publications in Extension history. In 1958, she was appointed district home demonstration agent for 16 North Alabama Counties. Although the title has changed she has essentially

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Residents of Mag Dorm Have—

# Everything But Mom's Home Cooking

By David Williams '74

"I don't want to leave my room. I've put too much into it," is the typical comment of residents of a most atypical housing complex. No, they're not prisoners making light of their situation, but rather they're the residents of Magnolia Dormitories, Auburn's only men's dormitory complex. They are also part of an environment which is fast becoming a model for university housing throughout the South.

## 'Let Students Control Their Own Environment'

"The idea here is to let the students control their own environment as they would at home," says Magnolia Director Dr. Charles C. Schroeder. "Students shouldn't live in an unnatural environment. Many universities provide 'hotel space' complete with built-in furniture and the students aren't allowed to paint or fix up their rooms like they would want them to be. Then the different administrations wonder why they have low morale, low retention rates, and high maintenance costs resulting from damage."

Over the past three years, Dr. Schroeder's program has been presented nearly 25 times at various regional and national conferences on university housing. Schools ranging in size from the University of Georgia, Georgia Tech, and the University of Texas at El Paso all the way down to West Virginia Wesleyan and Muskingum College have already implemented variations of the Auburn program. They have also learned that where students can fix up their rooms the overall environment maintenance costs are lower and retention rates are higher with markable increases in student morale and academic achievement.

At Auburn, men students can paint their rooms, panel walls, wallpaper, refinish furniture,

build sleeping lofts, build additional furniture, plaster ceilings, and replace electrical fixtures. John Fields of Greenville, S.C., and Lars Hagan of Charleston, S.C., have built a double sleeping loft in their room along with a built-in corner stereo cabinet. The room is color coordinated in greens and blues with matching curtains on the windows and sleeping loft. With the sleeping area off the floor there is room under the loft for study areas and a small couch in the outer area for occasional visitors.

## Built-in Aquarium

Jeff Sellers of Mobile built a wall just inside his door complete with a built-in aquarium which you can look through to the sleeping area. In front of the wall he has his study area and as you walk around the wall you see the water bed with an additional bed built over it.

Other residents of Magnolia Dormitories have plastered their ceilings, painted graphic designs, murals, caricatures and slogans, and they have paneled their walls, wallpapered them, and have replaced light fixtures and electrical outlets.

## Group Projects

Several divisions have gotten their residents together to paint the hallway or replace light fixtures, and Division K has added piped-in music which runs off one of the resident's stereo system. Division K residents have also added hanging plant baskets at either end of the hall. For their efforts the division won first place in the hall contest and received a cash award to be used by the division. Magnolia Dormitories offers almost \$900 dollars in cash prizes for the different places in best room and best hall. The money comes from the various

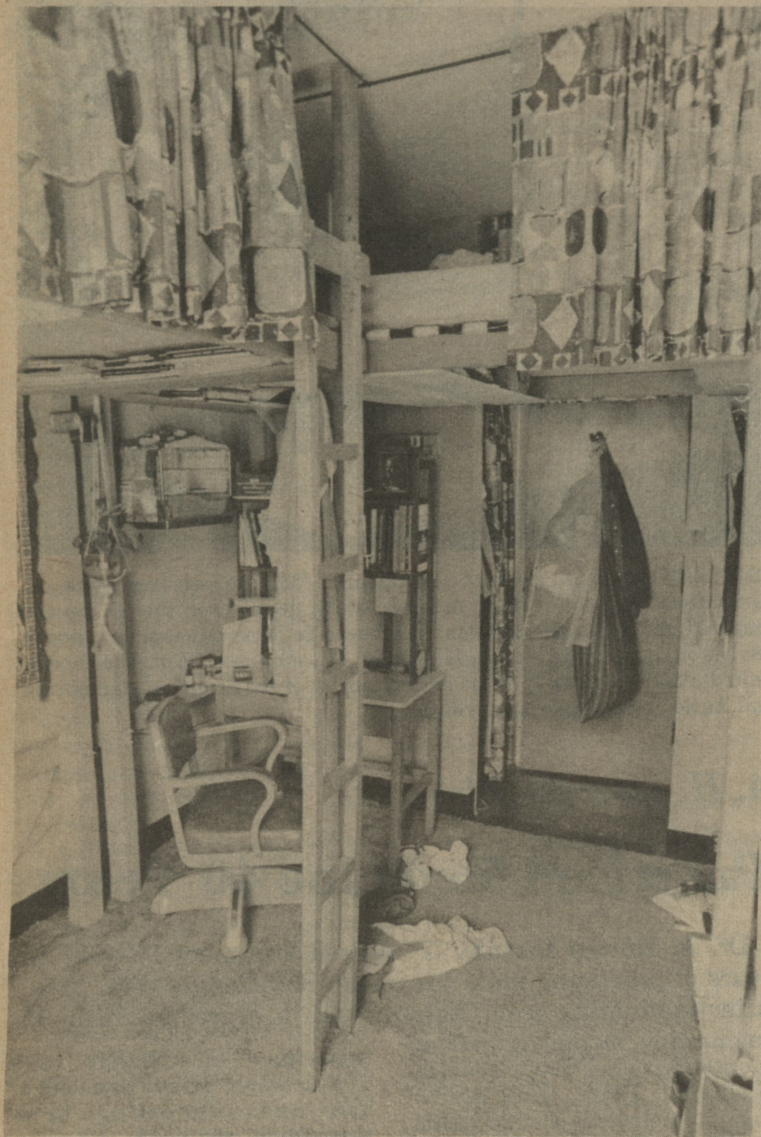
activities available at the dormitory.

## Game Room, Sauna, Laundry, Snack Bar, Health Club

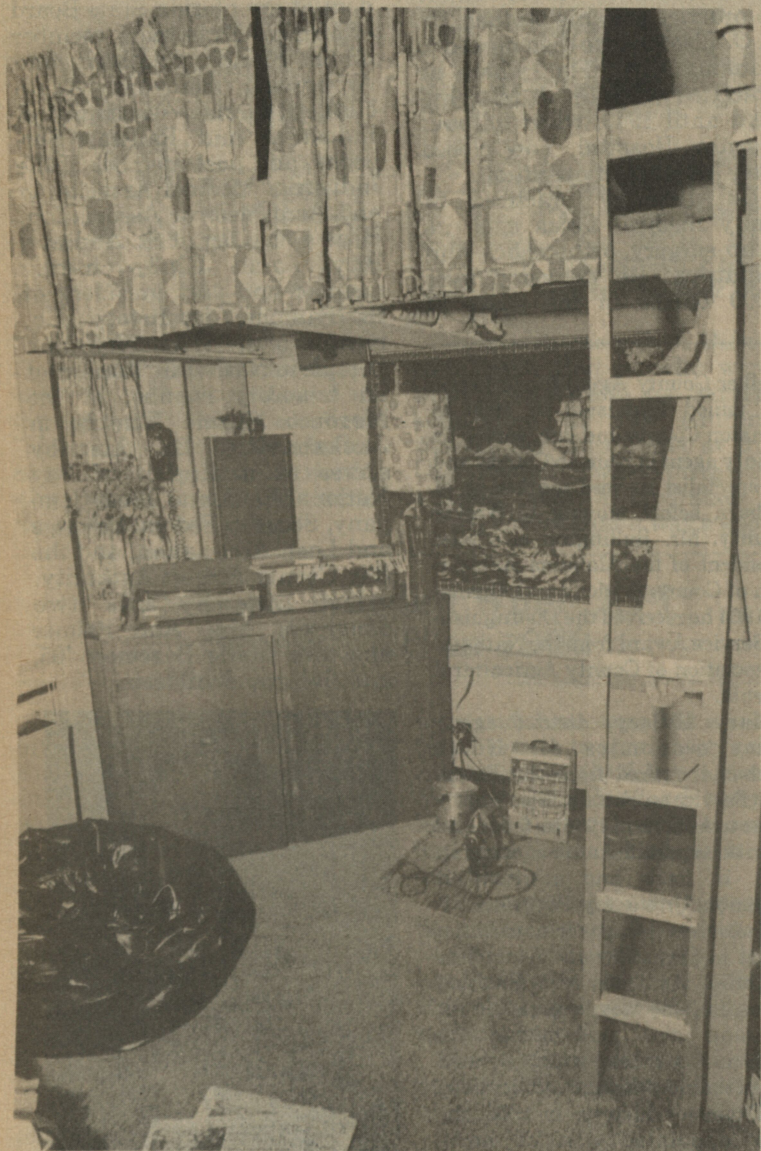
Over the last four years a game room has been added, which students painted, complete with pinball machines, foosball tables, air hockey, and pool tables. A percentage of the money spent in the laundry room, the sandwich shop, the Health Club (the only Magnolia activity which requires a membership fee), and the sauna goes to the dorm. Soon-to-be-completed is a wood working shop and mechanics area for students who wish to work on their cars. An Outdoors Club has also been formed with the members taking trips to various places throughout the state and neighboring states to do some rappelling, camping, or just to get away for a weekend. All of the dorms' activities are supervised by qualified instructors, usually work-study students who do everything from operate the game room to showing students how to stay in shape or rebuild a carburetor.

The program starts off with the University providing two gallons of paint, any color Pittsburgh Paints manufactures. Students can then install carpeting, floor covering, or whatever additional improvements they wish to make. A master plumber-electrician supervises the work and sees that all building codes are met. But what happens to the room when the student leaves? "He has three options," according to Dr. Schroeder. "He can either sell the improvements to the next occupant, give them to the incoming student, or he has to return the room to its original status except of course for the painting since the University provides the paint. We haven't had a student yet have to return his room to its original status

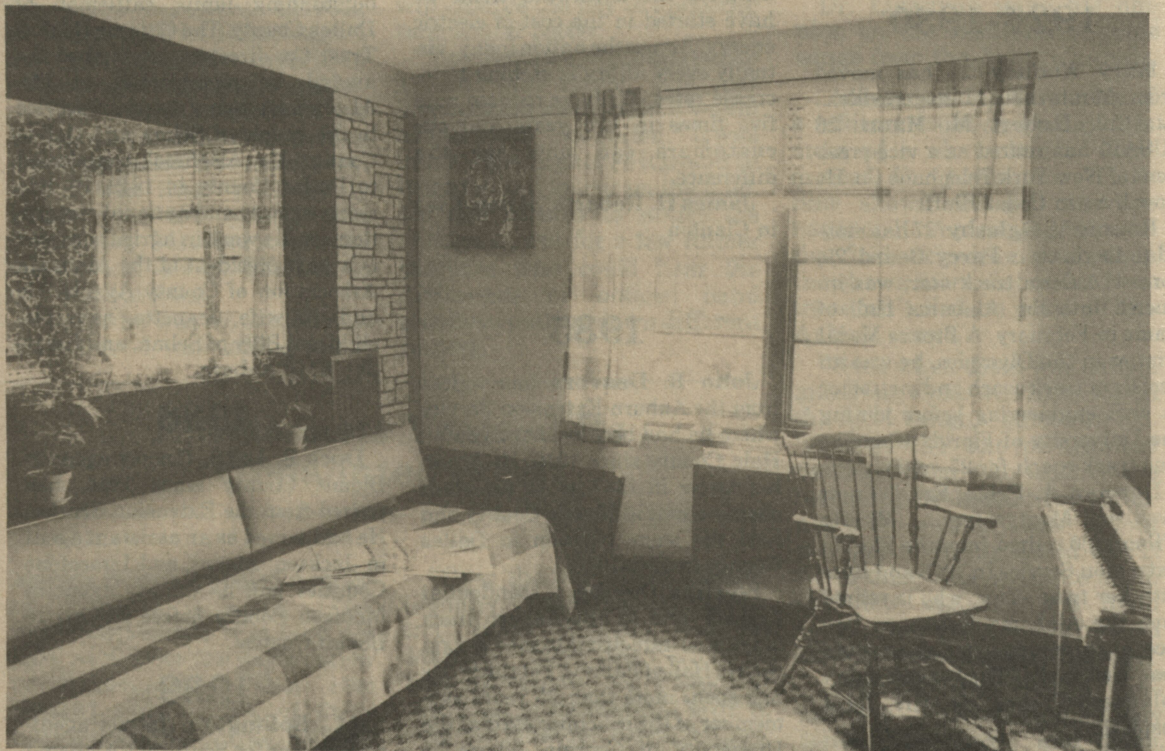
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**SLEEPING LOFT**—John Fields of Greenville, S.C., and Lars Hagan of Charleston, S. C., built a sleeping loft to give more space in their room. A similar study area exists to the right of the one pictured under the loft, and the boys have added a couch in the outer area of the room.



**LIVING ROOM**—With the sleeping area off the floor, John and Lars have added a corner stereo cabinet which they built. They also have room for visitors who come by often to see their pet parakeet pictured on the ladder.



**RA'S ROOM**—Glenn Spivey of Weaver, resident advisor for Division K, has added some brick paneling, cork board, and a mirror to one wall in his room. The couch, which folds out into a bed, is part of the new fur-

niture in Magnolia Dormitories. The bedspread matches the curtains which Glenn added along with the carpet. He has also gotten fairly good at the piano after taking a beginner's course at Auburn.



# Everything But Mom's Cooking

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simply because these types of rooms are the most desirable. We usually have three or four students waiting for the rooms and our biggest problem is deciding who gets one."

## Freshmen Women Repaint Noble; Save \$58,000

This year Noble Hall, a freshman women's dormitory, was placed under the direction of Dr. Schroeder and the women were allowed to paint their rooms. They have also joined the Health Club and Outdoors Club and use the various activities in Magnolia Dormitories. Dr. Schroeder said that, "The quoted price by Buildings and Grounds to paint Noble Hall was \$67,000. The women, by painting their rooms and several halls, painted 80 percent of the surface area in Noble Hall at a cost of \$1,100.

The savings will be reflected in room rent staying the same for approximately the next three years although operating costs will continue to climb. In other areas of the country especially the Northeast, you couldn't have done something like this because everything has to be done by unions."

Presently residents of Magnolia Dormitories pay rent ranging from \$95 dollars a quarter for a double room in Bullard Hall which doesn't have air conditioning or private phones to \$135.00 dollars for a private room in Magnolia Hall complete with air conditioning and phone. The women's dorm is on the same scale except approximately \$20 dollars more because of room size. "We have the cheapest men's housing of any of the Southeastern Conference schools and with our present programs we should be able to maintain our rental rates while continually improving this 35-year-old structure," Dr. Schroeder said.

Starting in the fall men students will be allowed to apply for housing in any of the dormitories on campus. With the option to move into air conditioned suites now occupied by women on the hill one would think that there would be a mass exodus from Magnolia Dormitories. "Not true," says Dr. Schroeder. "We are losing only about 40 students and we are planning on being full at the start of classes in the fall. Fifteen of the students that are leaving are leaving as a group because of friendships formed here in the dorm. We are presently operating at an 80 percent retention rate.

## Cuts Down on Destruction

"We have found that here at Auburn when the student is allowed to participate in his own environment he takes better care of it. It's really simple when you think about it. You don't have people coming in your home telling you what you can paint and can't paint and where to put the furniture then come by twice a week to check on you. And it's not that we have a 'I do my thing and the heck with everyone else' situation either. We try to coordinate the student's interest and where he's from and place him with other students with similar interests. We also have an engineering section in the dorm where the students can study together and they have access to a computer terminal which helps them with their studies. In the engineering section we have found that the students have higher grades, there are fewer curriculum changes, and they develop better study habits."

Dr. Schroeder went on to say that, "It's really amazing what the students have done considering they started with one of the oldest buildings, community baths, and the smallest rooms of any University housing complex. In fact my wife and I have used some of the more creative ideas in decorating our own home."

## ALUMNALITIES—Continued

held the same position since that time.

**William L. (Steve) Martin** retired in February as county agent in Marshall County, a position he had held since 1944. He had been an assistant county agent in Colbert and Jackson Counties and earlier taught vocational agriculture at Cullman.

**Almeda A. Robertson** has moved from Montgomery to Blountsville.

## 1940

**Dr. W.H. (Jack) Taylor**, associate director-field operations for the Auburn Extension Service, has retired after more than thirty years with Extension. He joined Extension in 1946 as assistant county agent in Lee County and two years later was promoted to county agent. Nine years later he moved to a position as district agent for North Alabama which he held for three years before becoming assistant to the director and the assistant direc-

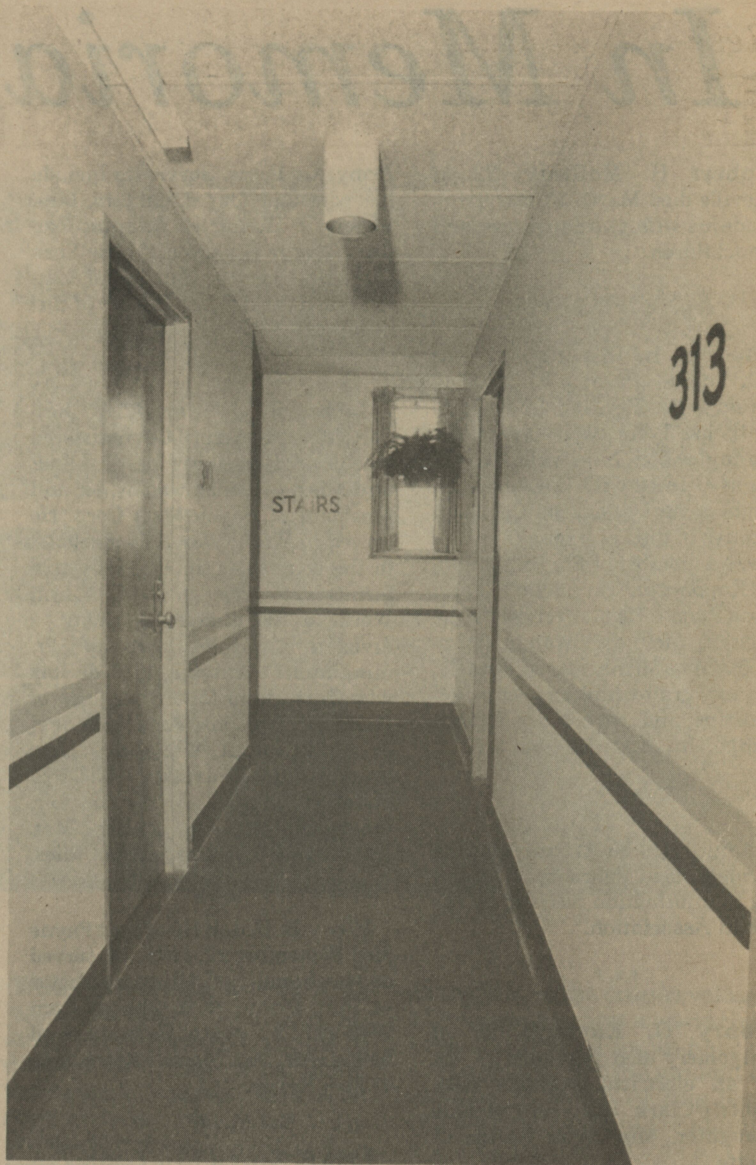
tor and associate director. He served as acting director from July 1, 1974, through Aug. 31, 1975, and has been associate director in charge of field operations since that time. He holds two degrees from Cornell University in addition to the B.S. from Auburn and has served on a number of state and national committees relating to agriculture and Extension policy.

**Forest Homer Morgan**, county agent in Butler County, retired from Extension earlier this year. He joined Extension in 1946 as assistant county agent in Butler County and became county agent in 1963. He was a vocational agriculture instructor before joining Extension.

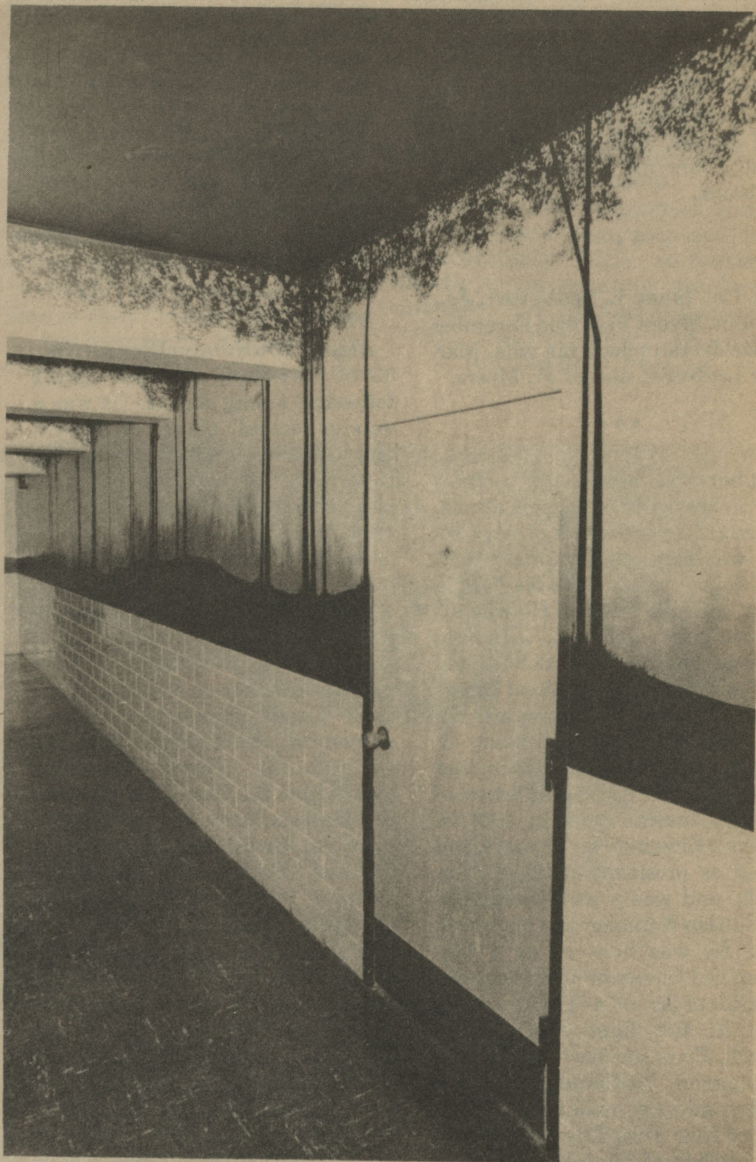
**Sam P. McClendon**, county agent in Lawrence County since 1948, retired from Extension in February. He had been an assistant county agent in DeKalb and Lawrence Counties before becoming county agent.

**Mary Sue Tillery**, county agent

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**DIVISION K**—The students living on Division K of Magnolia Hall did all the work pictured above which includes new light fixtures, piped-in music, color-coordinated brown and tan walls, refinished doors, carpet, hanging baskets, curtains, room numbers, and lettering at each end of the hall noting stairways. For their efforts the division won first place in the hall decorating contest sponsored by Magnolia Dormitories.



**ROD'S HALL**—Rod Havens, a graduate resident advisor from Taylor, Ill., painted the above black and red design on his hall in Bullard Hall, which was also a winner in the hall contest. The new program at Magnolia Dormitories has proven that when students have some control over their environment the result is a substantial decrease in damages and an increase in retention rate and student morale.



**EXTRA WALL**—Jeff Sellers of Mobile created an entry in his room by building a wall complete with fish tank and chest of drawers. On the other side, Jeff has built a water bed with a regular bed above it. His room

is in Bullard Hall which doesn't have air conditioning or phones, but with the improvements and the \$135,00 dollars a quarter he pays for rent, is an attractive place to live.

—AU Photo



# In Memoriam '22 Through '75

**Robert H. McGinty '22** of Dadeville died March 15. Survivors include his wife, two daughters, and grandchildren.

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**Beverly H. Swango '24** of Lighthouse Point, Fla., died February 6. He had moved to Lighthouse Point twelve years ago from Inglewood, N.J., where he had been associated with the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. as an executive in the Long Line Division. He was a member of Phi Kappa Phi, Eta Kappa Nu, Tau Beta Pi, and Kappa Sigma. He is survived by one daughter, Melinda Swango Johnson '59 (Mrs. Michael S.) of Tenaflly, N.J.; two grandchildren, Peter and Katherine; and one brother, Everett Swango, Jr., of Darlington, S.C.

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**Henry G. McArthur '25** of Talladega died February 11 according to information received by the Alumni Association.

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**Henry G. England '26** of Montgomery died February 27. He was an electrical engineer with Kimberly-Clark. Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Julia Kahns of Fayette.

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**Perry Dantzler Whetstone '31** of St. Mary's, Ga., died March 20. He was retired manager of administration, engineering, and construction for Gilman Paper Co. Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Ruth H. Whetstone of St. Mary's; one daughter, Carol W. Belcher (Mrs. Samuel D.) '64; one granddaughter, Valerie, both of Gulf Breeze, Fla.; and one sister, Mrs. Corrine Wadsworth of Millbrook.

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**Lt. Col. Isaac L. Ledbetter, Jr., '33** of Ft. Myers, Fla., died December 5. Survivors include his wife, Marjorie Ledbetter, also of Ft. Myers.

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**Robert N. Hoit '34** of Auburn died February 15 of a heart attack. He taught agriculture for five years and was employed by the USDA Soil Conservation Service for 34 years, retiring in 1973. He was active in civic activities, including division chairman of the United Fund drive, Boy Scout Merit Badge Council, Crippled Children and the Red Cross. Mr. Hoit held many offices in the Kiwanis Club including Governor of the Alabama District of Kiwanis International in 1974-75. He was a Kiwanian for 37 years, had served as president of the club in Ozark, and was a past member of the clubs in Anniston and Meridian, Miss. He was honored as a Distinguished Governor of Kiwanis International for 1974-75. He was an elder in the First Presbyterian Church. He is survived by his wife, Hildegard Ledbetter Hoit of Auburn and two children, Jo Ann Hoit of New York City and Robert Neilson Hoit of Tampa, Fla.

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**Carl P. Hacker '35** of Mountain Brook died recently. He was retired from Eli Lilly Co. and also was a retired lieutenant colonel in the

Army Air Force. Survivors include his wife and four daughters, Mrs. Robert P. Hunter of Atlanta, Ga., Mrs. George S. Cutter of New York City, Mrs. Spencer Hall, Jr., of Seattle, Wash., and Helen Hacker of Birmingham.

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**Jack Irby Joyner '42** of Gulfport, Miss., died April 1. A registered mechanical engineer in Alabama and Mississippi, he was owner and president of Bayou Steel Corp. He served in World War II as a colonel in the combat engineers. He was a former vice president of City Iron Works of Weathersfield, Conn., a division of Goslin Corp. of Birmingham. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Jane M. Joyner, also of Gulfport; two sons, Jack I. Joyner, Jr., of Little Rock, Ark., and Richard Joyner of Charlotte, N.C.; a daughter, Susan Joyner of Birmingham; and his mother, Mrs. Irby Joyner of Ocean Springs, Miss.

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**Elroy B. Rotch '45** of Fort Payne died September 22, 1973. He served as vocational agriculture instructor at Fort Payne High School from 1945 until his death. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Martha Rotch, also of Fort Payne.

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**Elva S. Sowell '52** of Centre died in February according to information recently received in the Alumni Office.

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**Maggie S. Edwards '52** of Central is deceased according to information received by the Alumni Association recently.

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**Thelma Henderson Blackwelder (Mrs. Aubrey) '61** of Alexander City died in November, 1975, from a blood clot on her lungs. Survivors include a sister, Mrs. Bryant Reaves of Lanett.

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**James B. (Jimmy) Bonner, Jr., '62** of Carrollton, Ga., died April 2 following a long illness. He was a varsity football player at Auburn and a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. He accepted coaching and teaching duties at Carrollton High School in 1962 and served as assistant football coach and head track coach for 11 years before retiring to devote all of his time to teaching. He was confined to a wheelchair for several years as a result of a tumor on the base of his spine. Coach Bonner had received numerous awards including the Outstanding Young Educator award from the Carrollton Jaycees, the Georgia Athletic Coaches Inspiration Award in 1975, the Warm Springs Foundation Alumnus award in 1970, and the Mighty Mite Olympics Jimmy Bonner Award in 1969 which has been presented annually at the East Point Recreation Department. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Carrollton, the Carrollton Athletic Booster Club, and The Carrollton Association of Educators. Survivors include his wife, Patricia Vansant Bonner; one son, Van Bonner, both of Carrollton; his mother, Mrs. Kathleen O'Dell of Atlanta, Ga.; and three sisters, Mrs. Stephen Patrick of East Point, Ga.; Mrs. James Mulkley of Jonesboro, Ga., and Mrs. Brown Dickson, of Atlanta.

**Alice Marie Venable Monk '64** of Marietta, Ga., died unexpectedly December 2. She was the chapter advisor to the Georgia Tech chapter of Alpha Gamma Delta sorority, a member of the International Extension committee of Alpha Gamma Delta, program chairman of the Murdock Elementary School PTA, and a member of the Halesia Garden Club. She is survived by her husband, Gary Monk '65, and three daughters, Cathi, 9, and twins, Jennifer Lynn and Martha Elizabeth, 1.

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**Laurence LeNoir '67** of Eufaula died in December from leukemia. He is survived by his wife, Kathy Vestal LeNoir of Eufaula; and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. LeNoir, Sr., of Auburn.

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**Capt. Ronald M. Gilbert USMC '69** died February 22 in a plane crash during an engine development evaluation at Naval Air Station, Patuxent River. He was serving as a

test flight officer of the F-14A airplane when it crashed. Capt. Gilbert was the president of Phi Psi, the president of Scabbard and Blade, and a member of Tau Beta Pi, national engineering honorary while at Auburn. Following graduation, he completed the Marine Basic School Course at MCDEC, Quantico, Va., and then entered the Naval Air Training Command at Pensacola, Fla. He was designated a Naval flight officer in September, 1970. Capt. Gilbert was qualified as a reconnaissance systems officer in the RF-4B and served tours in Marine Composite Reconnaissance Squadron TWO, 2nd MAW, and Marine Composite Reconnaissance Squadron ONE 1st MAW. He also served as an aide to Lt. Gen. T. H. Miller and Maj. Gen. A. W. O'Donnell. He returned to the Training Command as an instructor in Pensacola, Fla. Capt. Gilbert was selected to attend the U. S. Naval Air Test Pilot School and graduated in December, 1976. He was assigned to the Electronic Warfare and Reconnaissance Branch, Strike Air-

craft Test Directorate at the Naval Air Test Center. He is survived by his wife, Kay Roberson Gilbert, and his daughter, Jennifer Kay.

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**Lt.(jg) Reginald Hill Britt '73** died when his A-7 jet crashed in the Mediterranean in March. He was a pilot in the Navy and was stationed aboard the Aircraft Carrier Roosevelt. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Britt of Athens.

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**Christine Schlendering '74** died in an automobile accident October 29 in Crested Butte, Colo. Survivors include her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Schlendering of Huntsville.

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**E. Nelson Moree '75** of Eufaula died February 26. Survivors include his father, C. R. Moree of Albany, Ga.

## AUBURN ALUMNALITIES—Continued

for home economics in Cullman County since 1948, retired from Extension on Feb. 28. She joined Extension in 1947 as an assistant home agent in Marion County. Prior to her work with Extension, Mrs. Tillery taught home economics in high schools in Munford and Blountsville.

**C.F. Horn** now lives in Charlotte, N.C.

### 1941

**Frank R. McCreary** has moved from Atmore to Jackson, Miss.

### 1942

**Dr. Wilford S. Bailey** has been elected to a three-year term on the Southeastern Conference Executive Committee. Dr. Bailey, professor of pathology and parasitology in the School of Veterinary Medicine at Auburn, was also elected to a one-year term as chairman of the SEC faculty representatives section of the Conference.

**Mattie Hester** is retired after teaching vocational home economics for 32 years. She is a trustee of the Franklin County Arts and Humanities Council and treasurer of the Russellville Study Club and the Franklin County Retired Teachers Association. She is also chairperson of missions in the First United Methodist Church of Russellville.

**William E. Knight**, adjunct research agronomist with the Mississippi Agricultural and Forestry Experiment Station at Mississippi State University and USDA research agronomist, has been elected president of the Southern Branch of the American Society of Agronomy.

**Cleveland U. Storey** now lives in Auburn.

### 1943

**Tom J. Ventress**, director of the State Industrial Relations Department, has been named chairman of the State Board of Pardons and Paroles by Alabama Gov. George C. Wallace. He will give up his cabinet-level post to assume the new job. He became director of the industrial relations department in 1971. When the unexpired term of Mr. Ventress' predecessor expires in June he will

be eligible for reappointment. He had been president of the Bank of Commerce of Clayton for 18 years

### Faces in the News



Stubbs



Reed

**Thomas F. Stubbs '56** has been chosen sales representative of the year in the Birmingham Region of the F.W. Dodge Division, McGraw-Hill Information Systems Co. He is a member of the Dodge office in Montgomery. He was honored for his outstanding 1976 record in selling Dodge Reports, the daily news service that follows the progress of individual construction projects, and Dodge/SCAN, the daily bid estimating information service that reproduces project plans on microfilm. Mr. Stubbs and his wife, Shirley, have one daughter, and they live in Montgomery.

**Herbert H. Reed, Jr., '58** has been named a vice president of Eddie Barker Associates, Inc., a Dallas, Texas, public relations and communications firm. He will be responsible for the publication of *Solar Engineering* magazine and a wide range of other activities to service the needs of the firm's public relations and advertising clients. Prior to joining the staff of Eddie Barker Associates, Mr. Reed was director of communications for the School of Business of Southern Methodist University. He was formerly vice president and a founder of Omega-t Systems, Inc., and a project manager for Collins Radio Co. He is president of the Dallas chapter of the Business/Professional Advertising Association, a member of the International Association of Business Communicators and a member of the Sales and Marketing Executives of Dallas. He and his wife, SuAnne Boatwright '58, have two sons, Doug, 17, and Steve, 13.

prior to his appointment to the industrial relations post.

**Cyril J. Porter, Jr.,** has moved from Blacksburg, Va., to Fayetteville, N.H.

### 1944

**William S. Byers** has moved from Orlando, Fla., to Agana, Guam.

### 1946

**Frances Biddle Needham** has moved to Wrightsville Beach, N.C. **Joe N. DeLoach, Jr.,** now lives in Lanett.

### 1947

**Gerald W. Wade** has moved from Jackson, Miss., to Birmingham.

### 1948

**Bill B. Lollar** is laboratory and X-ray supervisor at the North Runnels Hospital in Winters, Tex. Mr. and Mrs. Lollar made a recent trip to Alabama, using their CB handles to identify themselves as "Alabama Gal" and "War Eagle." The Lollars celebrated their 32nd anniversary on April 1. Their twin sons, James and Jerry, are both married with families. Jim and his family live in San Antonio and Jerry and his family live in Irving.

**Zilpha Draper Bentley** now lives in Trinity.

**Brig. Gen. Charles E. Williams, Jr.,** now lives in San Antonio, Tex.

**Luther J. Strange, Jr.,** has a change of address to Flowery Branch, Ga.

### 1949

**J.T. Allen, Jr.,** of Cromwell has been elected chairman of the Fifth District Farm Credit Board. He is beginning his third three-year term as a director of the Farm Credit Bank of New Orleans.

**R.W. (Pete) Henderson** now lives in Decatur where he operates Henderson and Associates, general agents for Southwestern Life Insurance Co.

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# The Nuke on The Hill

## Auburn's Leach Nuclear Science Center

By Charlotte Ward  
(Reprinted from *The Auburn Circle*)

It has stood on its corner for ten years now, unnoticed and unknown by most habitués of the Auburn campus. For much of that time it was largely unseen, until the building of

the Telfair Peet Theater and the Goodwin Music Building began drawing traffic up and down its hill. When a passer-by remarked on the big mound of earth paralleling Samford Avenue, some wit would explain that it was the Jolly Green Giant's grave.

Some people on the "outside" know it's there, of course, and ask, "What kind of reactor have they got up there?" (Answer: None.) Or, "Is there any danger of it blowing up and irradiating everybody?" (No.) Or, "Isn't it dangerous to work there?" (Not as dangerous as, oh, say, crossing the street.)

This mysterious "it" is the Edmund C. Leach Nuclear Science Center, Auburn University's unique service installation that provides research and teaching facilities for some twenty-two departments in seven of the University's nine schools, fulfilling the purpose stated as follows on the back of the program printed for its dedication on May 12, 1967:

The Edmund C. Leach Nuclear Science Center is a research and teaching facility for use by all departments of the University interested in the

pure or applied aspects of nuclear science.

The statement continues:

Construction of the Center was made possible by funds totaling over \$1,000,000 donated by alumni and friends of the University through the Auburn Development Program. A list of contributors has been placed in the cornerstone of the building. The generous contributions of alumni and friends permitted the University to obtain additional funds for construction and equipment through matching grants totaling \$389,000 from the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission and the Office of Education and National Institutes of Health of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

Edmund Clark Leach, '15, of Dadeville and Montgomery, was not a nuclear physicist. He was a partner in an investments firm. But it was in large measure due to his efforts as president of the Auburn Alumni Association and of the Auburn University Foundation, a non-profit corporation established in 1960 to marshal private support for the

University, that the Auburn Development Fund reached its first goal of \$2.6 million. Mr. Leach died in 1963. The first major installation funded by the ADF serves as a fitting memorial to his devotion to his Alma Mater.

Nuclear Science Center! One wonders what alumni response would be today to an appeal for funds to build such a facility. In fifteen years the connotations of the word "nuclear" have gone from the promise of unlimited energy for a prosperous future to the threat of a planet under a mushroom cloud, its population dying of irradiated food, water, and air. The truth, as always, lies somewhere in between the extremes. Auburn's Nuclear Science Center (NSC) houses neither doomsday machines nor an instantaneous, problem-free answer to the energy crisis. It does provide facilities for a variety of interesting and important lines of research not only in physics, chemistry, and engineering, but in a wide range of biological, agricultural, and health sciences as well.

There is only one public entrance to the NSC, located on the side facing the theater, just to the right of the "grave." The visitor does not get beyond the lobby at once, except to go to a classroom on the ground floor or to the office of the director, Dr. Ray Cooper '52, or that of Mr. Robert Bell, radiological safety officer. The stairs leading to the rest of the building, which is largely underground, are posted with a sign proclaiming that "Authorized Personnel Only" may proceed beyond that point.

Authorization to descend the stairs and inspect the rest of the building is not difficult to obtain, but it must be done—as must all procedures involving nuclear science—in conformity with the regulations set up by the original Atomic Energy Commission and by the regulatory agencies that have superseded it. The first regulation confronting the visitor is that he must sign in, listing his name, his "business" (e.g., student in a physical science class, high school science teacher, etc.), and his time of arrival.

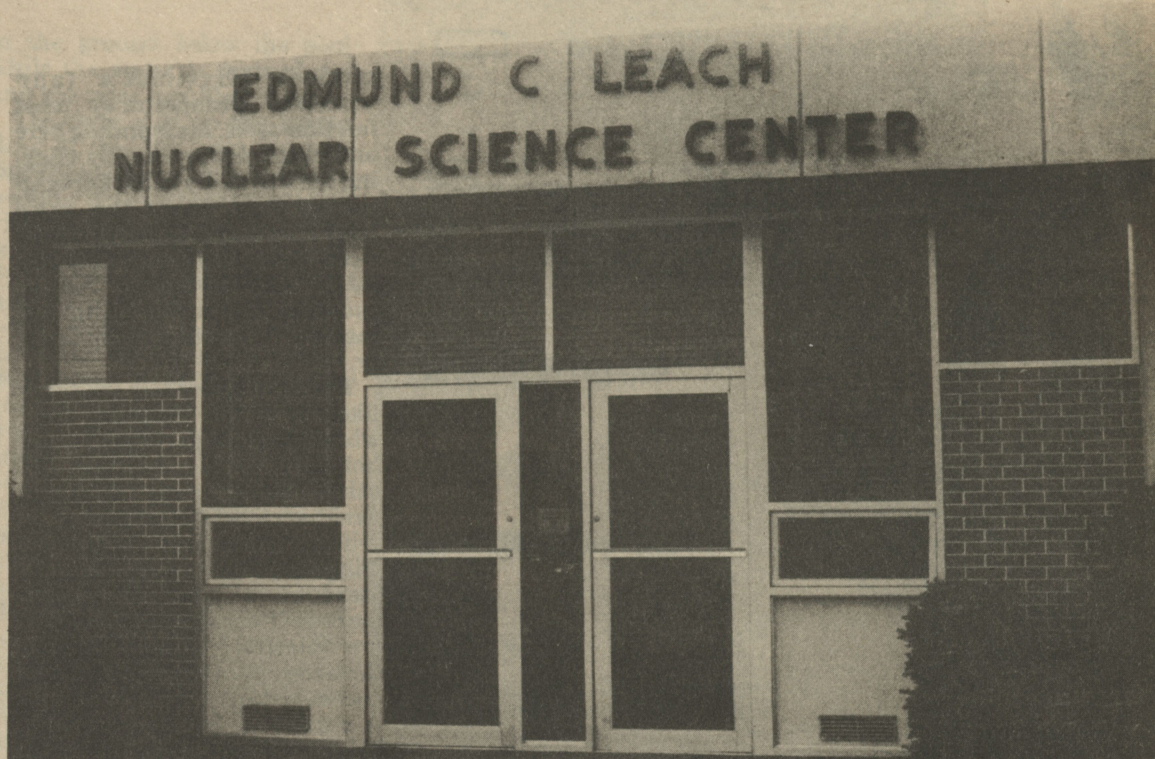
(When he leaves he will fill in his departure time.) Then he is instructed to "pick up a couple of dosimeters." The receptionist indicates a wooden block with rows of holes containing cylindrical objects looking rather like fat black fountain pens, complete with pocket clip.

The visitor clips the dosimeters to pocket or belt, or, lacking these, clutches them in hand. He is now ready to descend the stairs to the area where there are radioactive materials. These materials are well shielded, and the danger of exposure to a damaging level of radiation is vanishingly small. Nevertheless, the dosimeters are there to guard against that remote possibility. Each one contains a "charged" wire, and would indicate a certain electrical potential difference or "voltage" when inserted in the device that "reads" the charge on the dosimeter. Radiation absorbed by the dosimeter dis-

charges it, so the drop in voltage of a dosimeter after a visitor has carried it around for an hour or so is a measure of the amount of radiation to which he has been exposed. Since there are minute amounts of radiation everywhere, the dosimeter carried for an hour in the NSC would not be likely to read much differently than one worn to an hour's lecture in Haley Center. If a high reading should be obtained from both a visitor's dosimeters, he would be informed and NSC staff would try to trace the unexpected source of radiation. The dosimeters are so sensitive that, unless the reading was all the way "off-scale" there would be no need for a medical consultation.

It has never happened that visitors have been exposed to unexpectedly high radiation levels. Upon entering the first teaching lab, one understands why. Geiger counters, the

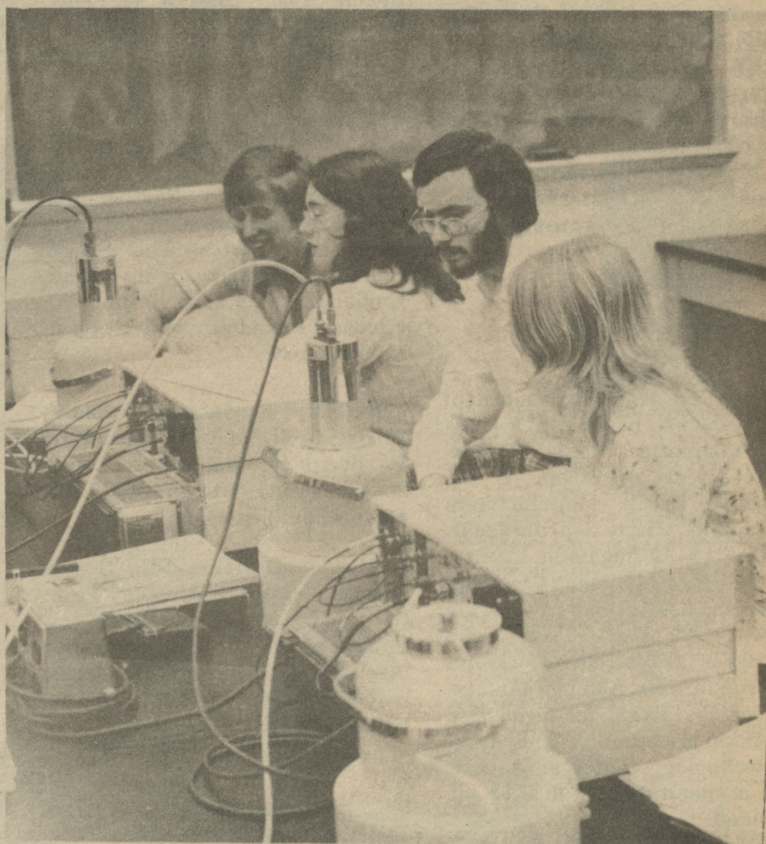
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—Photography By JoAnn Metcalf



**REGISTER**—In accordance with regulations set up by the Atomic Energy Commission, each visitor to Leach Nuclear Science Center must register and carry dosimeters, such as those pinned on the student's sweater, to monitor radiation exposure.



**COUNTING LAB**—Students in a counting lab held in the Nuclear Science Center learn to use Geiger counters and other more sensitive devices called scintillators.



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**ACCELERATOR CONTROL**—Dr. John Williams describes how the accelerator control panel works.

## ALUMNALITIES—Continued

**Clay E. McElroy** works for the Georgia State Offender Rehabilitation Department and is now superintendent of Colony Farms in Hadwick, Ga.

**Zane F. Lund** has been appointed research leader of the soil and water research unit of the USDA-Agricultural Research Service at Auburn. He received an M.S. in agronomy and soils from Auburn and went to work for the ARS in 1951 at Stoneville, Miss. He worked in soil physics at LSU from 1955 to 1960 then helped establish an ARS station in South Dakota. Since 1962 he has been with the Auburn unit which works cooperatively with the Auburn Agricultural Experiment Station.

**William G. Besse** received an MBA in finance from Georgia State University in August. He and his wife, Lucy, live in Atlanta where he is an electrical systems engineer with Lockheed-Georgia. They have two sons — Walter, who graduated from college in 1973, and Robert, a music major at Georgia State University, playing the oboe.

**NEW ADDRESSES:** **Francis Johnson**, Gulf Breeze, Fla.; **Richard H. Lowther**, Smiths; **Joseph S. Clark**, Tallahassee; Mr. and Mrs. **Joseph H. Moran** (Ruth Estes '47), Chesterfield, Mo.; **Edward P. Prigmore**, New Orleans.

### 1950

**Tom Eden** is the new president of the Alabama Resource Development Committee. He is also executive vice president of the Alabama Textile Manufacturers Association.... State Rep. **James J. Plaster** of Autaugaville recently received the Alabama Crop Improvement Association's Man of the Year Award. Rep. Plaster, who operates a 1,500-acre livestock and row crop farm in Autauga County, received the award for legislative leadership in obtaining funds for a seed-technology center at Auburn and a peanut-seed facility at Headland.

**NEW ADDRESSES:** Mr. and Mrs. **Douglas A. McCreary** (Glenn Robinson), Dunwoody, Ga.; **Rose Mary Whitaker**

**Grimes** (Mrs. Reginald D.), Conyers, Ga.

### 1951

**Maj. Solomon D. Mathison** is retired from the military and is now an agricultural science instructor in Ashford. He lives in Dothan.

**NEW ADDRESSES:** **Malcolm Reese**, Atlanta, Ga.; **William G. Stackhouse**, Albany, Ga.

### 1952

**Lt. Col. Fred F. Harris** is a base supply officer with the U. S. Air Force in Bitburg, West Germany.

**NEW ADDRESSES:** Mr. and Mrs. **James V. Wade** (Melissa Woolf), Basking Ridge, N.J.; **James R. Kinsaul**, Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.; **Gladys K. Hill**, Clearwater, Fla.

### 1953

**Calvin J. Des Portes, Jr.**, received a doctorate in electrical engineering from The Sussex College of Technology in Sussex, England, in May, 1975. He is now an electrical consultant with offices in Columbus, Ga.

**BORN:** A daughter, Judith Brooke, to Mr. and Mrs. **Oscar W. Pardue** of Birmingham on October 28. She joins brothers Phil, 15, Steve, 6, and Matt, 3.

**NEW ADDRESSES:** **Joyce Dorne Petri**, Delavan, Wisc.; **Grady B. McCorquodale, Jr.**, Titusville, Fla.; **S. A. Brown, Jr.**, Birmingham; **Thomas D. Dean**, Waco, Texas; **Dr. William S. Fairey**, Myrtle Beach, S. C.

### 1954

**Charles F. Wilson** is branch

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nuclear physicist's (and uranium prospector's) most familiar tools, are standing here and there, intermittently clicking out their tally of background radiation at about the same level they would be doing if they were sitting on your kitchen table. Any noticeable rise in counting rate would signal immediate evacuation of the facility.

The first laboratory visited is likely to be the "counting lab," where students are taught to use not only Geiger counters but other even more sensitive devices called scintillators, in which entering radiation triggers a tiny pulse of light instead of a pulse of electric current. Counters, themselves, are relatively simple devices; the accompanying circuitry can become complex. This, however, is mainly tucked away in neat "black boxes," complete with digital read-out.

Aside from these boxes, the counting lab and neighboring spaces for "hot" chemistry do not look much different from their counterparts in other science buildings. The hoods and ventilation systems are superefficient, waste disposal procedures are clearly posted, the walls of cubicles for handling radioactive ("hot") materials are extra-thick and shielded with lead glass. Remote-handling "mechanical hands" are available if needed. But these are not the remarkable features of the NSC. Those are on the lowest floor, under the ten-foot thickness of earth that is known as the giant's grave. Here lie buried the accelerator and the cobalt source.

In the early Sixties, when the NSC was in the planning stage, the possibility of installing a nuclear reactor of the research variety was seriously considered. There are very few of these around, and they are very costly. They exist primarily for the production of radioisotopes, artificially-made radioactive forms of various chemical elements that are used not only in basic research but also in

medicine and in industrial applications. The largest such reactor in the United States is at Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Auburn, a member of the scholarly conglomerate known as Oak Ridge Associated Universities (ORAU), has convenient access to a far broader selection of radioisotopes from the Oak Ridge reactor than a single university could ever afford to produce. Perhaps just a little wistfully, Auburn's nuclear planners turned away from the pointless prestige of having "our very own reactor" and decided to build an accelerator of modest proportions instead. (Some schools do have research reactors, primarily for use in the training of nuclear engineers and developing new reactor concepts.)

The linear accelerator at first glance might conjure up visions of Captain Nemo, since it looks somewhat like a small submarine beached in its cave. However, the control panels, complete with flashing lights, are not in the machine but fill an anteroom adjacent to the accelerator room. The silvery cylinder itself is about seven feet in diameter and twenty feet long. A peek into one of its tiny portholes gives an impressive but not very informative view of glass and metal spirals and tubes that are part of the works for creating very intense electric fields. What the accelerator does is, by means of a pulsed electric field, give charged subatomic particles (protons, deuterons, or alpha particles, in this case) a series of kicks until they possess an energy of three million electron volts (3 MeV)—or about the energy an electron would acquire after traveling through half a million flashlight batteries. Clearly, the accelerator is a better way to do it!

A particle with that much energy would be a pretty formidable missile to fire at any target, and when it does hit the nucleus, or core, of a target atom, it produces changes much more profound than any other kind of process, chemical or

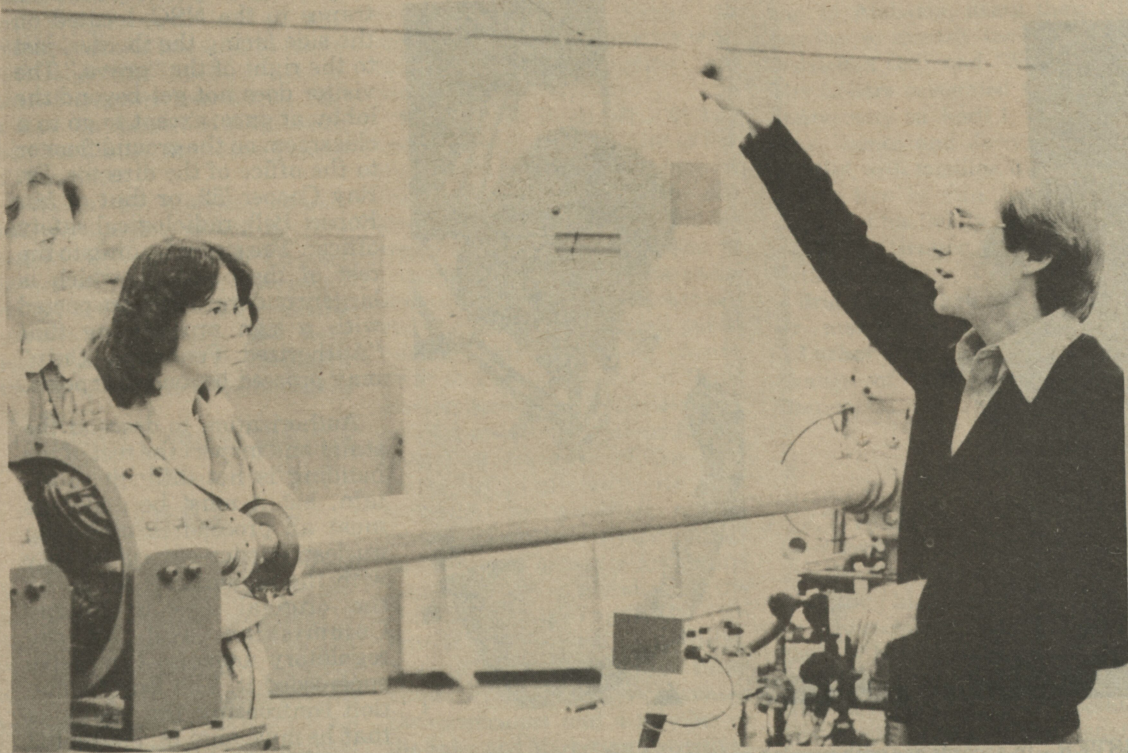
physical, can do. It literally transmutes one element into another. But the accelerator is not the transmutation machine so long sought by the alchemists. Accelerator-produced gold would hardly bring the price down! Why do Dr. Bill Alford and Dr. John Williams and their graduate students from the Physics Department so eagerly bang away at assorted targets with their magnetically focused proton beams? They are determining "cross sections."

The early practitioners of nuclear physics in the 1930's had a sense of humor. They thought of their ability to make the subatomic missiles hit their targets and produce the changes in terms of target "cross sections," in that a target of large area (cross section) is easier to hit than a small one. One scientist, on a certain occasion, disparaged his colleagues' ability by the traditional remark about being unable to hit the side of a barn, and nuclear cross sections have been measured in units of barns of their metric fractions (e.e. 0.001 barn = 1 millibarn) ever since.

What is the use of measuring cross sections? For those for whom scientific curiosity—finding out how nuclei behave and what transmutations are produced—is not an adequate reason, some practical uses can be mentioned. In order to make nuclear power technology as safe as possible over the long range, it must be known how structural materials used in reactors behave under prolonged bombardment by high energy particles. To solve the most difficult of all the problems attendant upon nuclear power development, radioactive waste disposal, it may be necessary to irradiate wastes to change them into less dangerous materials. Cross section measurements provide data for the solutions of these problems.

The most incongruous note in the reactor room is struck by all the boxes of the jellymaker's old friend paraffin wax sitting

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**PARTICLE BEAMS**—Dr. John Williams of the Physics Department describes how particle beams

from the accelerator are guided to targets for nuclear reaction cross section studies.

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# Auburn's Nuke on the Hill

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around. Paraffin, being made of carbon and hydrogen atoms, is an excellent absorber for neutrons. So the wax sits there and soaks up stray neutrons that are scattered from the targets being irradiated (mainly to keep them from interfering with some other part of the experiment).

Of course, no one is ever in the accelerator room when those high energy beams are bouncing around. A fantastic fail-safe system of locks preventing anyone from straying in goes into operation before the triple key system can turn the accelerator power on. But even the accelerator safety system pales in comparison to that associated with the other prin-

cipal research unit, the Cobalt-60 source.

To enter the cobalt room, the visitor must pass through an opening behind a sliding door. What is unusual is that the door is three feet thick and weighs 30 tons. The walls of the room are of similar thickness and like the door are made of concrete reinforced with steel. A periscope-like mirror arrangement coupled with the type of large convex mirror used to enable shopkeepers to look out for shoplifters enables one to view the room before entering. It is a bare place—a few shelves for chemicals, glassware, and bits of apparatus, a pair of tongs with a fifteen-foot handle—that's about all except for what appears to be a small, deep swimming pool in the middle with an elevator sort of arrangement in it. The water in the pool is fourteen feet deep.

Visitors gather, perhaps hesitantly at first, around the guardrail that surrounds the pool. The guide points to a circular metal plate standing on the elevator platform at the bottom of the pool. Stuck in it in a circular pattern are a number of metal strips about 1 inch by 8 inches and less than a quarter-inch thick. That, the guide explains, is the Cobalt-60 source. Then he turns out the room lights. The pool is suffused with an eerie blue light. (It was there all along, but didn't show up in the lighted room.) It is called Cerenkov radiation, and is the energy emitted by electrons knocked out of the water molecules by the gamma rays from the cobalt and moving at speeds greater than the speed of light in water and being rapidly slowed down.

But the most important emissions of Cobalt-60 leave no visible trace themselves. These are the enormously energetic gamma rays that make Cobalt-60 one of medicine's chief weapons against cancer and one of science's best sources for irradiation studies. The NSC source has an "activity" of 12,000 curies when all 24 strips are in place. One curie of radiation represents  $3.7 \times 10^{10}$  nuclear disintegrations per second, each producing about two gammas. Thus a 12,000 curie source produces 888 trillion gamma rays per second. Such a radiation dose from the source exposed in air would be lethal to a human adult in short order, yet the fourteen feet of water above the source renders it harmless. The guide's Geiger counter clicks no more frequently here than upstairs.

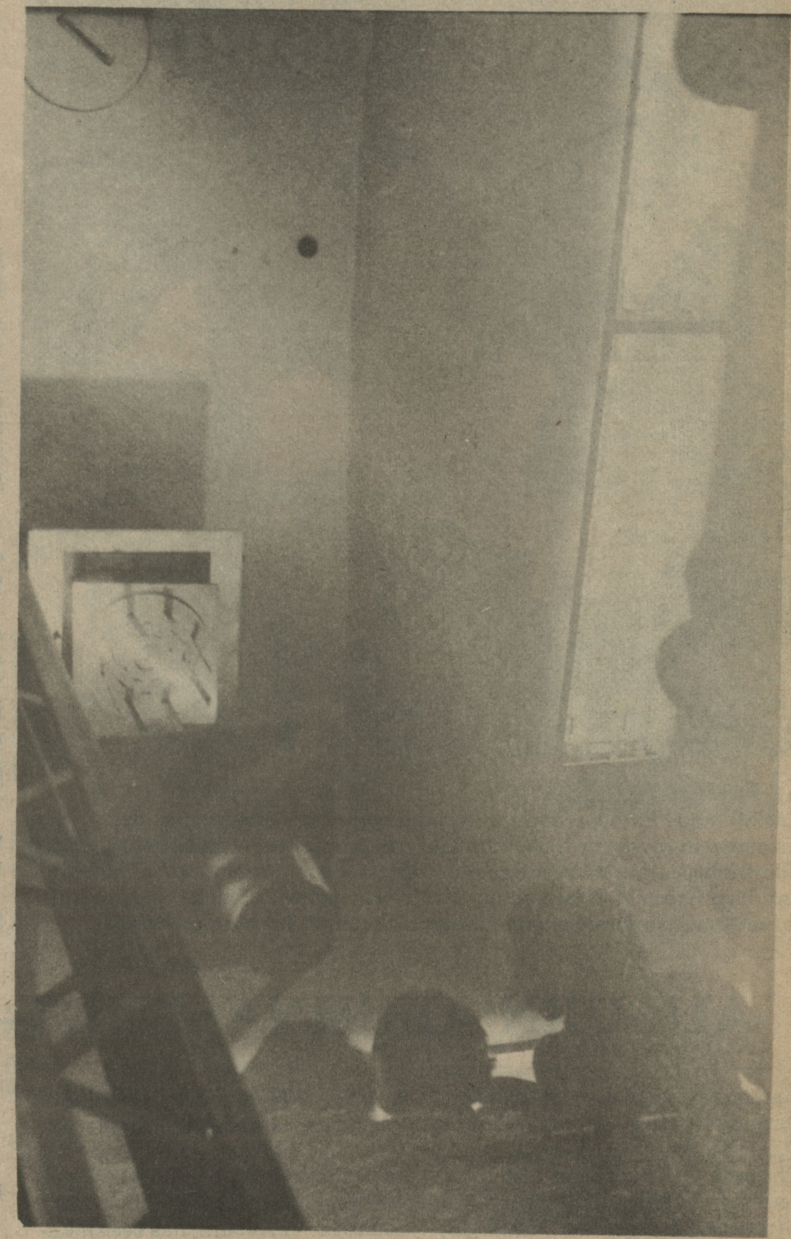
When irradiation experiments are in progress the materials to be irradiated—seeds to study effects on germination, for example, or foods to be preserved—are placed at the appropriate position and once the automatic controls are assured that the 30-ton door is locked in place the elevator lifts the source out of the water for the appropriate exposure time. The source must be returned to its watery bed before the room can be opened.

Even Cobalt-60 gammas are not lethal to all forms of life. From time to time microorganisms grow on the pool walls to such an extent that the source must be stored in its cell

in the ground below the pool while the water is drained out and the sides scrubbed down.

The third unit on the lowest floor of the NSC has its own entrance—big as a barn door, because that's where some of its visitors come from—a barn. The most famous visitor to cross that threshold called one of the world's most luxurious barns home: he was a racehorse from the Kentucky Bluegrass named Bold Ruler. Bold Ruler, Derby contender and Preakness winner in 1957, was commanding a stud fee in the neighborhood of \$100,000 in 1970 when he developed an inoperable malignant tumor in his nose. He was brought to Auburn's School of Veterinary Medicine and given a series of radiation treatments with the Cobalt-60 teletherapy unit at the NSC. This specially designed 3000-curie source can be used on both small and large animals, and has prolonged the lives of several valuable breeding animals as well as being an important research tool for Vet School scientists. As for Bold Ruler, he lived long enough to sire about 30 more foals, some of which brought \$175,000 as yearlings. None, however, quite matched their big half-brother, Secretariat, winner of thoroughbred racing's Triple Crown in 1973.

Two other service units are housed in the NSC; one, the Environmental Study Service Center of NOAA (National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration) is only slightly connected with the NSC itself. The other is an integral part of every research project on campus that uses radioactive materials. It is the Office of Radiological Safety, whose head, Robert Bell, is responsible for the safe handling and use of radioactive materials throughout the University. The Radiological Safety staff's duties include inspection of all laboratories where radioactive materials are used, monitoring radiation levels, and coping with emergencies such as leaks and spills. Usually



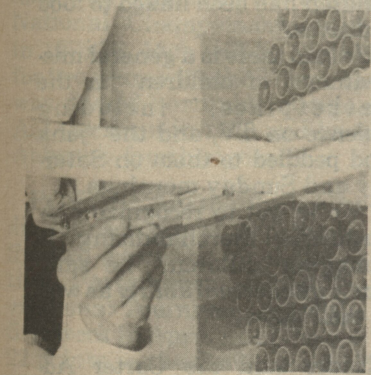
**14 FEET DOWN**—Shadows of visitors peering cautiously over the guard-rail reflect in the pool which houses Auburn's Cobalt source. The fourteen feet of water render the Cobalt-60 harmless.

only very small amounts of radioisotopes are allowed outside the special NSC facilities, but even those are closely accounted for and safe practices are enforced. The Radiological Safety Office also answers requests around the state for analyses of radioactive materials, advice on safety procedures, and the like.

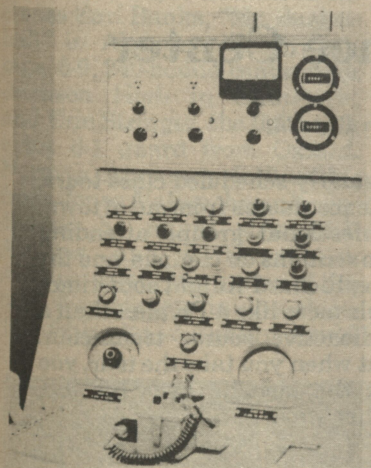
The visitor, turning in his dosimeters and signing out, may pause for a closer look at what seem to be rather fancy name tags, like the one his guide wore, pinned on a bulletin board

at the head of the stairs leading to the restricted area. The brightly colored plastic rectangles do bear their owner's names, but they are more than mere labels. They are film badges, worn by the regular employees and users of the NSC whenever they are in the building to monitor continuously their exposure to radiation. Since radiation effects are cumulative, it is necessary to keep track of total exposure of persons who work regularly

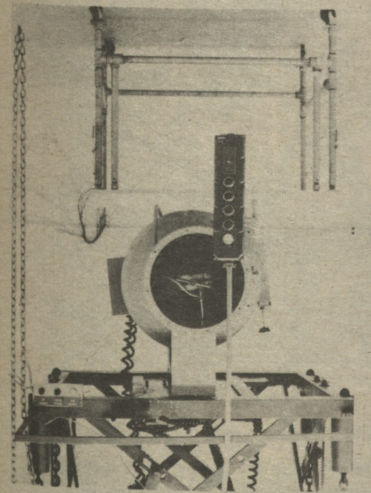
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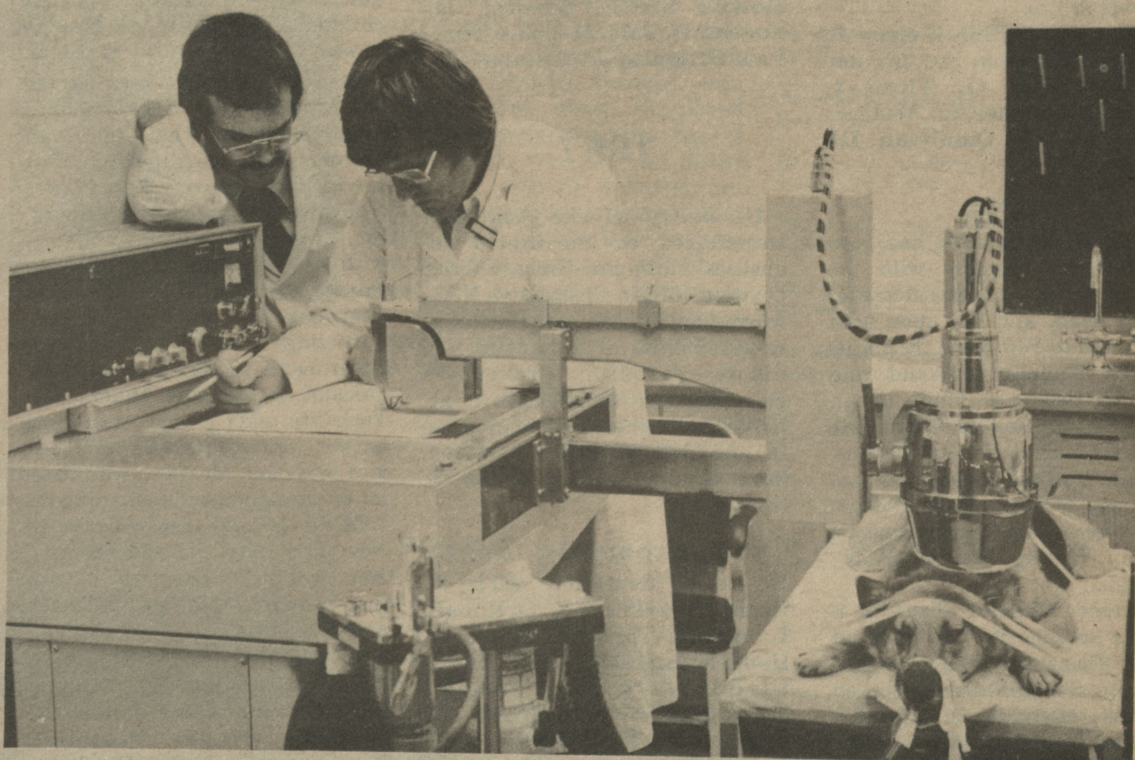
**SUBCRITICAL**—Auburn does not have a nuclear reactor but it does have this subcritical assembly, a small scale collection of reactor-type fuel elements that can be used to simulate certain reactor processes when an outside source of neutrons (at bottom of center rod) is introduced. The assembly is too small to maintain a chain reaction on its own, as a reactor does.



**COBALT**—This remote control panel activates the Cobalt-60 source stored underwater in a room with three-foot thick walls.



**ANIMALS TREATED**—Some of the most famous patients at Auburn's School of Veterinary Medicine have been treated with this animal teletherapy unit.



**BRAIN SCAN**—Blood circulation in the brain of a dog is being studied by use of a radioactive tracer in the "brain scan" technique.

(Nuclear Science Center Photo)





**ADVERTISING EXEC** — Robert E. Luckie, chairman of the board of Luckie and Forney, Inc., Birmingham-based advertising firm, was executive-in-residence at Auburn University's School of Business in April. Shown discussing marketing plans with students Carol Lewis of Florence and Pam Green of Birmingham, Mr. Luckie met with faculty and students for informal discussions and classes throughout his stay on campus.

## Nader Tells AU Audience— We Don't Know What's In Food We Eat

By Dru McGowen  
AU News Bureau

Cigarettes are not a food additive, saccharin is, Ralph Nader said at an Auburn lecture in early April to explain the ban on the sugar substitute and not on tobacco. "Cancer is rapidly rising, and most cancers are attributed to environmental factors such as pollution, food additives, and cigarette smoking. It is the government's responsibility to protect people," Nader said.

"It is the duty of the Food and Drug Administration to search out and prohibit all substances which expose people to cancer."

The consumer advocate, speaking at the student-sponsored Horizon lecture, said, "Most people don't know what's in the food they buy. Better and more labeling is coming. But it's got to be understandable, not just abstruse nomenclatures."

He said most additives are worthless, have no nutritional value, and are "substitutable."

Nader feels that environmental protection laws haven't gone

anywhere nearly as far as they should, "especially if children are to grow up with clean water, air, and land."

"One out of three people in Mississippi has the deadly pesticide Mirex in his tissues because of proliferate use of Mirex on millions and millions of acres of land," he said.

"Allegedly used to curb fire ants, the ants can hardly be the disastrous combination of King Kong and Godzilla made out by the chemical companies."

"Industry spent \$8 billion last year in pollution control equipment," Nader continued. "That same industry made over \$125 billion in pre-tax profit. Half of the \$8 billion is taxed out and part inflated and involves putting in new equipment for old, which has very little to do with pollution. To say environmental protection involves a crushing financial burden is nonsense."

Consumerism is growing, according to Nader. "Inflation makes people more interested in the prices of energy and utility rates."

"People are finding out how shoddy and unsafe some products are, and how poor many services, including medical services, are."

To be effective, Nader suggests joining or organizing consumer's organizations, such

as co-op food buying clubs and statewide consumer associations.

"Then you can go to the attorney general, or file suits as a group. You can lobby the legislature for reforms in the rates utility companies set. Individually, you can go to small claims courts."

Hazards children are exposed to is the big consumerism issue today, according to Nader. He said the chemical fire retardants put on sleep wear have been tested out to be cancer-producing.

"Drugs are given with little care, and hyperactivity in children has been linked to food additives."

He said there is a general mistreatment of children "in the marketplace," including violence on TV, and the "junk food peddled to them on Saturday and Sunday mornings."

"We've got to recognize how corporate merchandising is damaging children," he said, "their intellectual ability as well as their safety."

Nader said the Carter Administration is more responsive to consumer rights and environmental protection than the Ford and Nixon administrations.

"If he [Carter] doesn't get too involved in foreign affairs, there should be much progress in consumers' rights and organization around the country."

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manager of the financial branch of Burroughs Corp. in Washington, D.C. He lives in Vienna, Va.... **Thomas P. Hughes** is vice president of interior architecture for Diversified Design Disciplines (3D) in Houston, Texas....

**James C. Lofton** has been named headmaster of Lee Academy in Auburn. For the past two years he has directed the athletic program at Lee Academy and served as assistant headmaster. After graduating from Auburn University, where he lettered in football for three years and played on the 1953 Gator Bowl team, he earned a M.Ed. from Emory University and is currently working on his certification in administration. His wife, Ruby Jean, is an instructor at Lee Academy and they have five sons: Jimmy, who has been accepted for graduate study in journalism at the University of North Carolina this fall; Billy, 20, who is stationed on the John F. Kennedy Naval Aircraft Carrier off the coast of Italy; Dicky, a senior at Lee Academy; and Bobby and John, fourth and third-grade students at Lee.

**NEW ADDRESSES:** Gene C. Williams, Brandon, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph O. Thweatt (Rebekah Fletcher '52), Madison, Miss.; James R. Quinlivan, III, Atlanta, Ga.

### 1955

**Finley Ben Garnett** has been stationed in Germany with the Corps of U. S. Army Engineers for several years and has now been transferred to Fort Hood, Texas, as facilities engineer of land and buildings. He and his family live in Temple, Texas.... **Sarah Catherine Jones** is now Mrs. Edward Havens. She, her husband, and their two daughters live in West Covina, Calif., where she is chief pharmacist at The Queen of the Valley Hospital....

**Beatrice Wheeler Teal** is a resource teacher for the blind at Barrett Elementary School in Birmingham. She was recently chosen the first alternate in the *Birmingham Post-Herald's* 1977 selection of the Alabama Favorite Teacher.... Mr. and Mrs. Thomas V. Wilkinson (Dorothy Trotter '49)

now live in Montgomery where he is a personnel systems coordinator for the Alabama League of Municipalities.... **J. Herbert White**, director of University Relations at Auburn, has been named Mid-Central Area Crusade Chairman for the Alabama Division of the American Cancer Society.

**NEW ADDRESSES:** Grant H. Tittle, Ruston, La.; Richard H. Burwell, Marietta, Ga.

### 1956

**L. Ray Taunton** is now vice president of manufacturing for the Fibers Division of Allied Chemical Corp. in Petersburg, Va. He has two sons now attending Auburn.... **Billie C. Mask** is now Mrs. Leo Solomon of Eglin AFB, Fla.

**NEW ADDRESSES:** James R. Hancken, Bay Minette; Dudley M. Cooley, Laurel, Miss.; O. Elton Powers, Austell, Ga.; Robert J. Maloney, Gettysburg, Pa.; Mary J. Downs Smith, Bowdon, Ga.; Eugene D. Cole, Memphis, Tenn.; Paul B. Jones, Jr., Decatur, Ga.

### 1957

**C. Jerry Hyche** has been transferred to Burlington Industries' Burlington Greige Fabrics Division staff in Greensboro, N. C., where he will have manufacturing responsibilities for the Radford, Va., plant, division preventive maintenance, OSHA-related activities, and other division projects. He and his wife, Janice, and their three children will be living in Greensboro.

**NEW ADDRESSES:** William H. Cook, Huntsville; Jack W. Rucker, Dix Hills, N.Y.; Lt. Robert L. Shimp, Theodore; Bruce C. Hodges, Lancaster, Calif.; Bette Elrod Levy (Mrs. Louis), Montgomery; Robert B. Dominick, Jr., Shelby, N.C.; Robert F. Ledet, Camden; John L. Scogin, Spring Hill, Fla.; Henry R. McAdory, Opelika.

### 1958

**Robert E. Burell** works with Monsanto Co. in Houston, Texas.

**BORN:** A daughter, Laura Amanda, to Dr. and Mrs. Wiley D. Hales of Tuscaloosa on March 11. Dr. Hales is a veterinarian with Moore's Veterinary Hospital in Tuscaloosa.

**NEW ADDRESSES:** Nancy C. McKinnon, Pensacola, Fla.; Lt. Col. Donald W. Goodman, Augusta, Ga.; Lamar Baggs, Jr., Riverdale, Ga.; Marjorie Sellers Robinson (Mrs. Frank W.), Simpsonville, S.C.; Dooley E. Culbertson, Arlington, Texas; Robert L. Bridgman, Concord, N.C.; Bert Burnett, Haleyville.

### 1959

**Clarence N. Moon** has been named assistant division manager of the loss prevention department of Liberty Mutual Insurance Company's Pittsburgh office. He lives in Mars, Pa., with his wife and five children.... **John Mitchell Tinsley** is with Chemwood Corp. in Selma.

**Sam L. Ginn** has been elected vice president-staff of the long lines department of the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. After serving with the Army Signal Corps following graduation from Auburn, Mr. Ginn joined the Bell System with the long lines department in Cincinnati, Ohio. He later held positions in plant, sales, accounting, and engineering departments in Birmingham, New Orleans, Jacksonville, Miami, New York City, and Chicago. At the time he was named AT&T's youngest vice president, Mr. Ginn was director of rates and tariffs planning for AT&T's general departments in New York City. He and his wife, Ann, live in Watchung, N.J., with their children Mathew, Michael, and Samantha.

**NEW ADDRESSES:** Elizabeth Whitman Sudderth, Marietta, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. James R. Gillman (Nancy Postelle), Dothan; Anne W. Herbert, Morrow, Ga.; Robert L. Holcombe, III, Delray Beach, Fla.;

## Nuclear Science Center

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with radioactivity. The films are developed regularly (usually monthly), and if the minimum safe level were to be exceeded in a given month, that person would have to stay away from radiation long enough to "even out" the total exposure. Nuclear science is still a new enough science that effects of low radiation levels over a normal lifetime cannot yet be fully assessed. Most scientists in the field are confident that if estimates of effects are in error, they err on the safe side.

So get acquainted with your local Nuclear Science Center. Visitors are welcome, if they can work you in. Showing around

regularly scheduled class tours, science classes from out of town, professional groups attending conventions on campus, and the like, Richard Knight sometimes feels more like a PR man than a radioactive source technician. But when you take the tour, you get the idea he likes his job, either way.



**Carl Lawrence Adams**, Huntsville; Mr. and Mrs. Stewart M. Champion, Jr., (Sandra Traylor '58), Tyler; Clyde R. Bridewell, Paris, France; L. Shelton Hawsey, Selma; Mr. and Mrs. Conway C. Watson (Ann Ruth Stough), Houston, Texas; George W. Burkart, Jr., Spartanburg, S.C.

### 1960

**Dr. Matt E. Dakin**, professor of biology at the University of Southwestern Louisiana, was one of six outstanding young professors selected for the 1977 Distinguished Professor Awards of the USL Foundation.

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**CONTINUOUS RECORD**—Jerry Mattson's film badge keeps a continuous record of his exposure to radiation. Should the exposure level exceed the minimum safe level in a month, he would have to stay away from the Nuclear Science Center long enough for the total exposure to even out.



# Auburn Sports Roundup

**FIRST:** Auburn's golf team captured first place in the seventh annual Junior-Senior Intercollegiate Golf Tournament April 10 by a comfortable six-shot margin. Auburn has sponsored the tournament for the past five years, but this was only the second time Auburn has been able to win it. Auburn's Buddy Gardner also won the top individual honors with rounds of 70-69-71 for a 210 total. Billy Wood, former Auburn football player, finished seventh with 218 and Bobby Plaines, a junior college transfer from Chipola, Fla., finished fifth with a 217.

**HOOSIER SIGNS:** Rich Valavicius, a 6-6 transfer from Indiana University, has signed with Auburn and will be eligible to play basketball for the Tigers starting in 1978-79. The sixth man on Indiana's NCAA National Championship team in 1975-76, Rich will be eligible for two years with the Tigers. He was named honorable mention All-American in 1976 and he is Auburn's fourth signee.

**POST SEASON:** Senior Eddie Johnson scored 39 points in the two games he played in at the Portsmouth (Va.) Invitational Tournament held the first week in April. Eddie scored 22 points in the first game and 17 in the second and was chosen to the 10-man All-Tournament team. Eddie will graduate as Auburn's all-time scorer with close to 2,000 points.

**SUPER FIVE:** Coach Bob Davis wasn't kidding when he said he was going all out to get the best he could with his allotment of scholarships. Auburn has already signed three of Alabama's super five which includes Earl Banks, "Mr. Basketball" in Alabama; Bobby Catage, 6-9, 240-pound center from Johnson High in Huntsville; and Eric Stringer, the lightning quick 6-1 guard from Oxford. Norman Anchrum, 6-10 center from Jones Valley, has also indicated he might sign with Auburn and if he should, Auburn would have four of the best five players in the state. The fifth player Auburn would

like to sign is Al Wood, 6-6 forward, who is considered the best college prospect in the state of Georgia.

**MORE RUNNERS:** With the "Fabulous Five" leading Auburn in national sprint recognition, Auburn is beginning to build a corps of distance runners which will be hard to beat in years to come. Recently, three of the nation's best milers signed with Auburn. Bob Hicks of Carl Sandburg High in Orland Park, Ill., was the nation's top junior in 1976 at 4:09.2 and won the Atlanta Classic two-mile last spring in 9:06. Dave O'Connor, the 1976 New York State mile champion at 4:10.8 and two mile champion at 9:11.6, is also coming to the Plains in the fall. The third signee is also a native New Yorker and is having the best senior year of the three. John Tuttle has already won the New York indoor mile and 1000 meter championships as well as the Eastern mile crown and his list of credentials includes the mile championship at the National Junior Olympics last summer.

**AULOSSES BOLL:** Pete Boll, the 6-7, 252-pound Prep All-American from Chattanooga, Tenn., has signed a national letter-of-intent with the University of Nebraska. He had earlier signed a SEC grant-in-aid with Auburn. Both Pete's father and grandfather are former gridiron standouts at the University of Nebraska. Twenty-four of Auburn's 26 signees have returned their national letters and Coach Barfield plans to save a couple of scholarships for players already on the squad.

**TOP SCORER:** Auburn freshman Scott Spann, 18-years-old, was the top individual scorer at the National Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) indoor meet, scoring 75 points. Scott set an American record in the 200-yard individual medley at the NCAA meet at 1:48.02 and was the first place finisher in the same event at the AAU. Coach Eddie Reese feels Scott

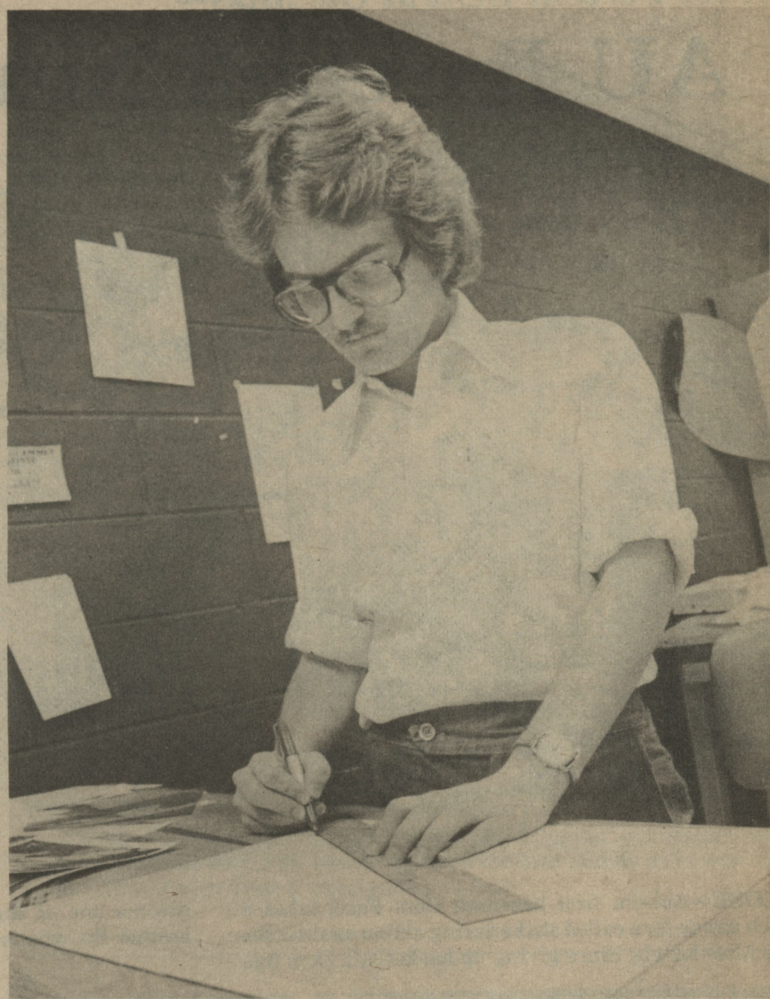
could win the 200-medley for the next four years. A side note: Scott is allergic to chlorine.

**NEEL RESIGNS:** Mike Neel, captain of the 1972 Auburn team which went 10 and 1 and defeated Colorado in the Gator Bowl, has resigned his position as an assistant coach at Auburn. Mike will enter private business in Birmingham. "We think Mike Neel is a quality person in every respect and an excellent young coach. He exemplifies Auburn in every way," said Coach Doug Barfield.

**PAT IS BACK:** Former Auburn Heisman Trophy winner Pat Sullivan has signed a bonus contract with the Chicago Bears. Pat will join Bears starter Bob Avellini and back-up veteran Virgil Carter in camp this summer. If things work out, Pat could be handing the pigskin off to former Alabama great Johnny Musso.

**JVs IN LEGION:** Auburn and Alabama will clash twice this year at Legion Field in Birmingham. The junior varsity squads have been given the go ahead to battle it out in Legion Field for the benefit of several charity organizations. The game is being sponsored by the Monday Morning Quarterback Club of Birmingham, the nation's second oldest football fan club. The game will be held November 19 with the varsity teams clashing on November 26.

**WOMEN CAGERS SIGN:** Mary Carol Doster and Frances Gagnon have signed scholarships with Auburn University according to women's basketball coach Jan Pylant. Mary, a five-foot-eight guard from Gastonia, N. C., was first team All-Conference the past three years and most valuable player at the conference tournament. Frances, from Oakwood, Ga., averaged 20 points a game and 10 rebounds and scored a season high 45 points in the sub-region playoff game.



**GLOM EDITOR:**Mike Sellers of Montgomery has been selected editor of the *Glomerata*, the Auburn University yearbook. The Glom, with over 500 pages, is one of the largest collegiate annuals in the country. Mike, a senior majoring in industrial design, was a section editor for this past year's book.

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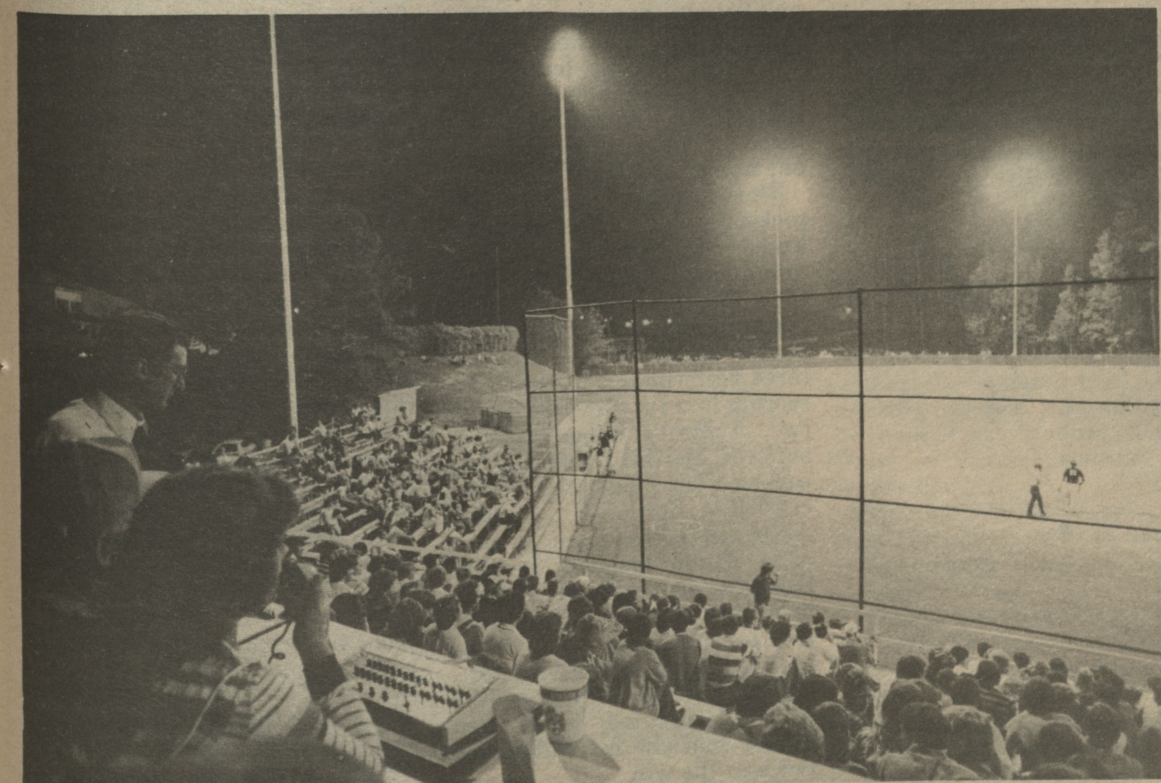
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Hampton, Va.

**ARNOLD MOST IMPROVED:** Following Auburn's first week of spring football practice, Danny Arnold was selected the most improved defensive player. Senior tackle John Smith was the best down lineman. Others selected include sophomore linebacker Mike McQuaig who is having an outstanding spring following last year's surgery, sophomore end Mike Locklear, and senior strong safety Rick Freeman. Coach Barfield was impressed with the overall quickness of the defense, but says Auburn still needs work at defensive end and ball handling.

**BOXING:** As the *Alumnews* goes to press, the A Club is sponsoring the first annual Auburn University Boxing Championships at the Sports Arena on May 3-4-5. Competition is open to any full-time student of Auburn and there is a limit of 10 fighters in each classification, covering the flyweights to the super heavy weights.



**NEW BLEACHERS:**Auburn baseball fans make good use of the newly installed metal bleachers at Plainsman Park. The scorer's table is pictured in the

foreground. The wooden bleachers on the left will be replaced in the future.

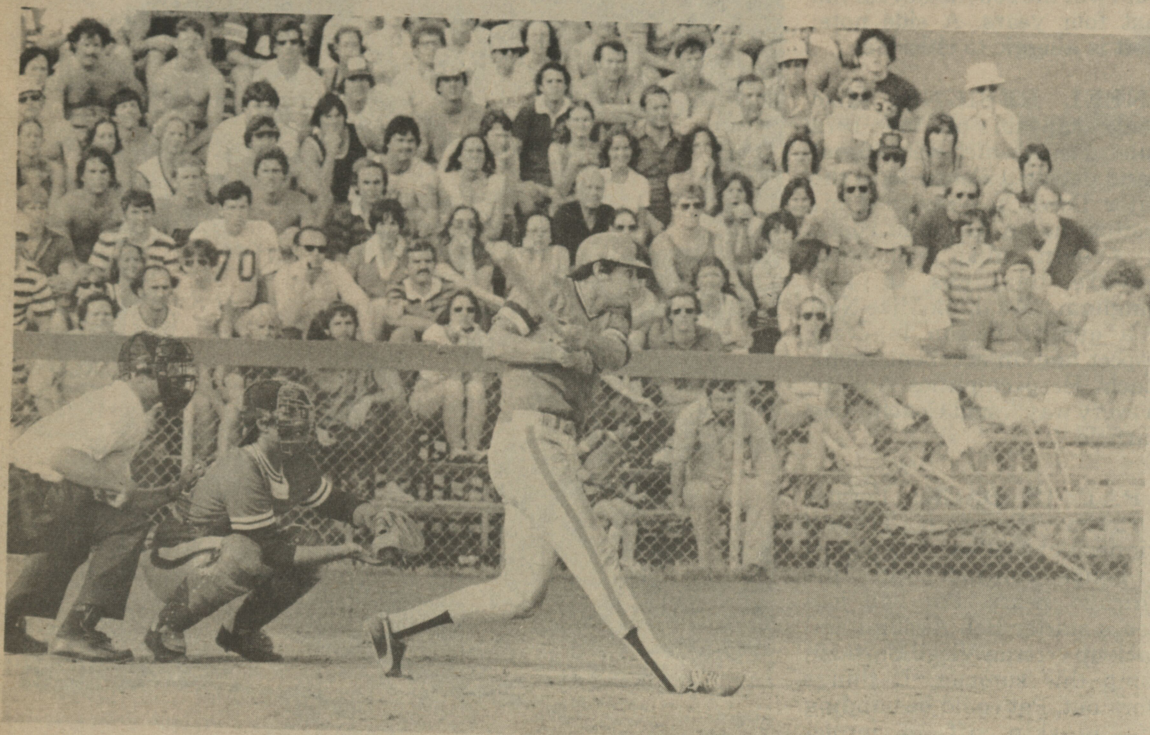
—Photo by Jim Killian



At .11 Percent Behind Ole Miss—

# AU Baseball Now #2 in Western Division

By David Williams '74



**CLOSE**—Auburn first baseman Dom Fucci takes a pitch inside for a called strike during action against the Ole Miss Rebels. Since giving up basketball, Dom has

become one of the big bats for Auburn along with brother Bo, who is a freshman.

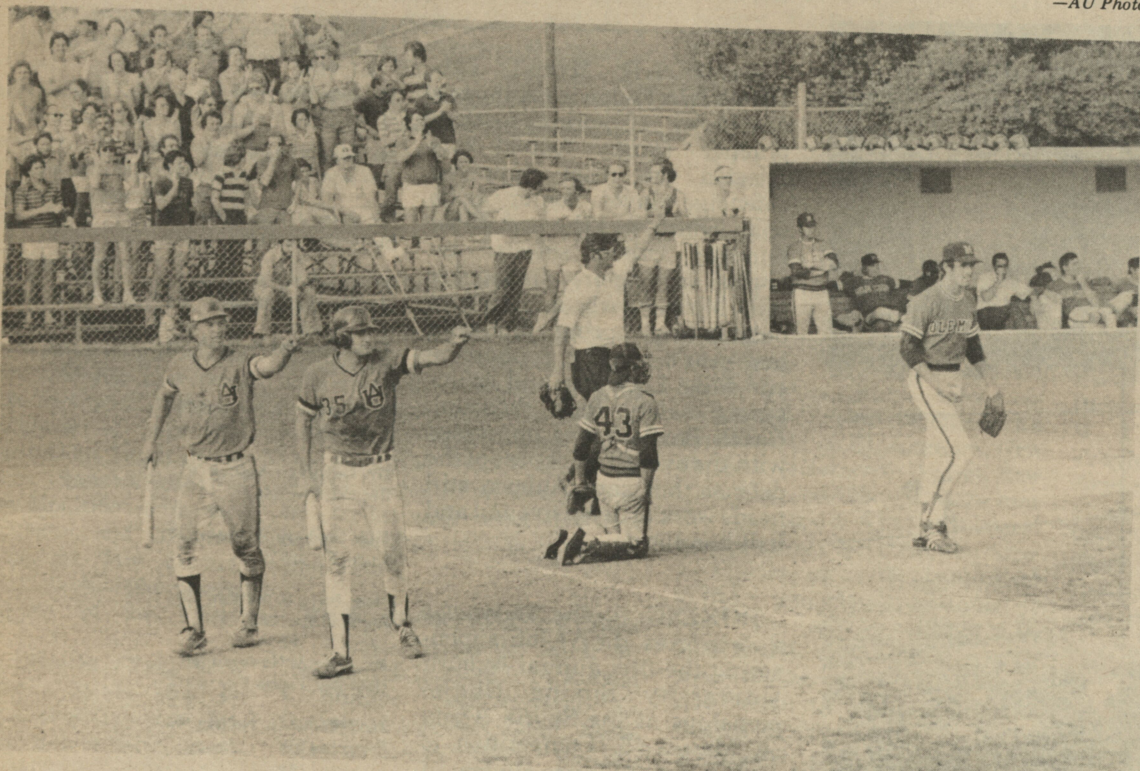
—AU Photo



**HOME RUN**—Freshman Pat Keedy takes off on a round trip of the bases after slamming a home run against the Ole Miss Rebels April 3. The 6-4, 210-pound

Gardendale native presently leads the Tigers in home runs with eight.

—AU Photo



**TIGER POWER**—Pat Keedy, left, and Dom Fucci signal Steve Renfroe after Steve scored the pair on a long single to right field. Auburn won two of three

games with the Ole Miss Rebels April 2 and 3 by scores of 3-1 and 9-4 and lost the other game 14-7.

—AU Photo

Auburn's baseball team is alive and well, blossoming forth from its former third place slot in the SEC's western division into second place with a recent three-game sweep of former

division leader Mississippi State. The sweep gave Auburn a 9-6 slate, only .11 percent behind present league leader Ole Miss at 11-7. Mississippi State went from 10-4 to 10-7 with the losses and presently holds down the number three position. Overall Auburn is 23-12.

The road back to contention for a playoff berth has been one of senior leadership from the pitchers and a maturing of freshman batters who have been appropriately tagged the "Kiddie Korps." In the first game of the three game series, senior righthander Joe Beckwith picked up his seventh win in a row and his second shut out with a 3 to 0 blanking of the Bulldogs. Joe started the season with three straight losses, but has come back brilliantly and is on the verge of setting an all-time SEC record for the most wins. In the double-header April 24, Auburn batters blasted four home runs, two in each game, including a grand slam by freshman Bo Fucci in the second contest. In the first game, a 6 to 4 triumph, Robert Hudson upped his record to 8-3. A 15 to 6 pasting of Mississippi State upped Mark Wimberly's record to 2-0 as he had to relieve freshman Martin Lowe. Gray Morrison was four of seven with three RBI's in the double-header while Bo Fucci also went four of seven with four RBI's.

In other SEC encounters Auburn showed little respect for the Georgia Bulldogs in what was supposed to be a close game played under the lights at Plainsman Park April 13. The supposedly close game ended with an 11-2 victory for the Tigers and the Bulldogs ace pitcher, Chuck Fore, who entered the contest with a 0.97 ERA, was taken out after four and two-thirds innings with 11 hits and 8 runs to his credit. Freshman Steve Renfroe and Rodney Rushing provided the bulk of the damage as Steve, from Lilburn, Ga., went four for five including a double and scored three runs and had one RBI. Rodney, from Ensley, was three for four at the plate with one homer and three RBI's.

The comeback road got a little rocky April 10 when Alabama knocked Auburn pitchers around the Crimson Tide's Park for a 12 to 5 victory. The Tide's Johnny Wright was the thorn in Auburn's side with a three for three performance at the plate, scoring four runs and driving in two. Auburn's Robert Hudson suffered his third defeat of the season after picking up his second loss April 9 also against Alabama in the opening game of a double header. In that Saturday double header Auburn lost the first game 11-5 but won the second game 5-2. Steve Montgomery, Steve Renfroe, and Bo Fucci each had two hits while designated hitter Ben Spivey had one hit and scored twice in the win.

On April 2 Auburn continued its winning ways with a 3-1 and 9-4 double header victory over

the Ole Miss Rebels at Plainsman Park. Robert Hudson picked up his sixth win in the first game while Dom Fucci provided the power at the plate with a key two-run homer. Ole Miss, one of the top hitting clubs in the conference, was held to five hits by Robert and it wasn't until the seventh inning that they scored their only run. A group of wild pitches, several walks, and some power hitting by Auburn proved to be the downfall of the Rebels in the nightcap. The Tigers scored six runs on only two hits in the fifth inning while Joe Beckwith was the winning pitcher.

In the third game played against the Rebels April 3, it was the Rebels' turn to take advantage of errors as they won 14-7. Five Auburn pitchers gave up 11 walks although the Tiger batters out-hit Ole Miss 12 to 10. Martin Lowe suffered the loss but not before he pitched five and two thirds innings of no-hit baseball.

As the *Alumnews* goes to press, Auburn has six SEC games remaining; three at Baton Rouge against LSU and three against the Rebels in Oxford, Miss. The Rebels must play Auburn and three games with Alabama in Tuscaloosa and Mississippi State is on the short end of the stick with only three games remaining in conference play, all of which are in Tuscaloosa.

SEC Western Division Standings  
(As of May 1)

Ole Miss	11-7
Auburn	9-6
Miss. State	10-7
Alabama	7-6
LSU	3-14

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dation. He was recognized for his service to the university and the community of Lafayette, La. He and his wife, Patricia, have two children, Matt E., III, and Richard Lee....

Mr. and Mrs. John Raymond Garrett (Nancy Carr '59) have moved to Westmont, Ill., where he is the branch chief for the regional training division of the Federal Aviation Administration in the Great Lakes area and she has been working with H&R Block as a tax preparer.... Mary Virginia Shaw Simpson is news editor for the Knoxville, Tenn., Utilities Board....

John B. Cartwright works with the Federal Railroad Administration in Portland, Oregon. He and his wife, Charlene, live in Vancouver, Wash., with their two children: Craig, 14, and Leigh Anne, 8.... USAF Lt. Col. Clarence C. Campbell is stationed at Keflavik Naval Installation, Iceland. He is an operations staff officer with a unit of the Military Airlift Command.

**NEW ADDRESS:** John W. Scott, Decatur, Ga.; Hugh M. Roberts, Bolingbrook, Ill.

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## Third Time No Charm for Glance

"Three times a world record and every time the wind or the timer or something. I guess that's life," was the comment Harvey Glance made after learning Auburn's electronic timer failed to function April 9 at Wilbur Hutsell track. Harvey was hand-timed at 9.75 for the 100-meters. Last year Harvey ran a 9.0 100-yard dash against Florida State but the wind was ruled too strong in his favor. Then he came back to run a 9.8 100-meters a couple of weeks later in Baton Rouge only to find out the officials miscalculated his times. Besides Harvey's excellent run, Auburn routinely disposed of Georgia, Troy State,

and Faulkner State in their next-to-last home track meet.

The week before the track meet, Johnny Jones of Texas and an Olympic teammate of Harvey's, ran a 9.85 and again there was a malfunction in the electronic timer. The International Track Federation has ruled that only electronic times are acceptable for world records, but there is presently an effort to have Harvey's time listed as an American record. Johnny Jones' coach is trying to have Johnny's time recognized claiming the rule against hand times does not go into effect until August. "If the guy in Texas is found to be right, then we will send in a 9.8 as a world record," Coach Mel Rosen said.

Auburn easily outdistanced its competition claiming first in 10 events and scoring a total of 100 points. Georgia was second with 44 while Troy State finished with 41 and Faulkner State had 11. Auburn's Willie Smith,

arkana, Texas, where he is the depot equipment manager for Red River Army Depot.

NEW ADDRESS: Aline B. Nourse, Memphis, Tenn.; Hugh H. Alexander, New York, N.Y.;

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one of the nation's top quarter-milers, was upset in the 200-meters by Georgia's Bill Breeding, a freshman who had spent the previous week with the football team. Coach Rosen apparently was resting his star performers as Harvey didn't run in the 200-meters and Willie didn't run in the 440 or mile-relay. "Last week was a tough meet and next week is a tough meet so we didn't double up much and we tried to move some people around. We didn't want to run anybody in the ground," Coach Rosen commented.

The previous week Auburn dominated the Carolina Relays claiming seven of ten track events. Harvey won the 100-meters, 200-meters, the long jump, and anchored the record setting 400-relay timed at 40.1. John Lewter broke James Walker's record, set last year, in the 110-high hurdles. Lewter's new record of 13.7 bettered the 13.8 mark set by Walker. Walker then set a new record in the 400-intermediate hurdles at 50.6 breaking the record set by Lewter last year. Willie Smith set a new record in the 400-meters at 48.7 and the mile-relay team also established a new record of 3:11.3. The old mark of 3:11.9 had stood since 1969. The mile-relay team was made up of Willie Smith, John Lewter, James Walker, and Mike Frugoli. The 400-meter relay team was made up of Harvey Glance, Willie Smith, Gerald Russell, and Tony Easley.

Alabama came to the Plains for Auburn's final home meet with Auburn trouncing the Tide 96 to 57. Alabama scratched in several running events while dominating most of the field events. And Harvey didn't break any records running but he did set a new track record in the long jump with a leap of 25

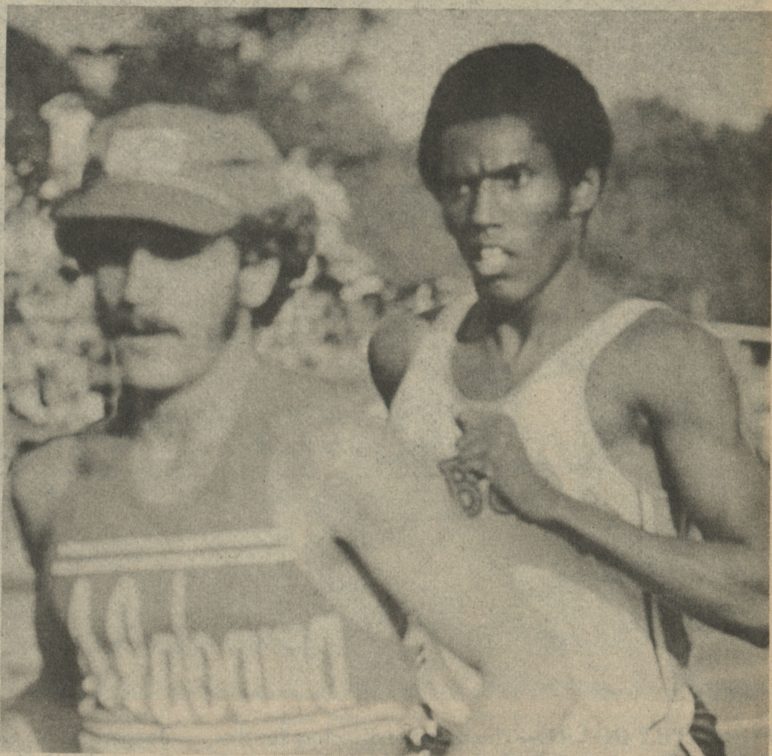
Wesley Spear, Goldsboro, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas D. Allen (Sydney Smith '64), Monroe, La.

### 1963

Robert L. Rogers has been promoted to manager of the raw products department of the Pomona Products Co., a division of Stokely-Van Camp, Inc., at Griffin, Ga. He and his wife, Jan Faulk '67, have two children: Jana Lyn, 7, and Rebecca Lee, 4. Jan is library coordinator for the Spalding County School System. They live on a small farm west of Griffin... Lcdr. Richard E. Seaman, USN, was recently transferred from the USS Carpenter in San Francisco to the Bureau of Naval Personnel in Washington, D.C.

NEW ADDRESS: Ferrill L. Gibbs, Dallas, Texas; Leon Jung, San Jose, Calif.; Turner A. Duncan, Jr., Plano, Texas; Maj. Michael G. Kosolapoff, APO New York; Janet Jeffcoat Sams (Mrs. Leroy W., Jr.), Opp; Mr. and Mrs. Larkin B. Nolen (Carolyn Graves '67), Collins, Ark.; Vernon C. Murray, Orange, Texas; James C. Slappey, Phenix City; Mr. and Mrs. John C. Lankford, III, (Marion Evelyn Stephens '65), Spanish Fort; Charles H. Smith,

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**ON HIS SHOULDER**—Auburn freshman Theodis Abston of Mobile runs right on the shoulder of Alabama's Steve Bolt during the 1500 meters competition. Bolt, the first SEC runner to break the four minute mile, won the race in 3:46.38 with Theo a close second at 3:47.

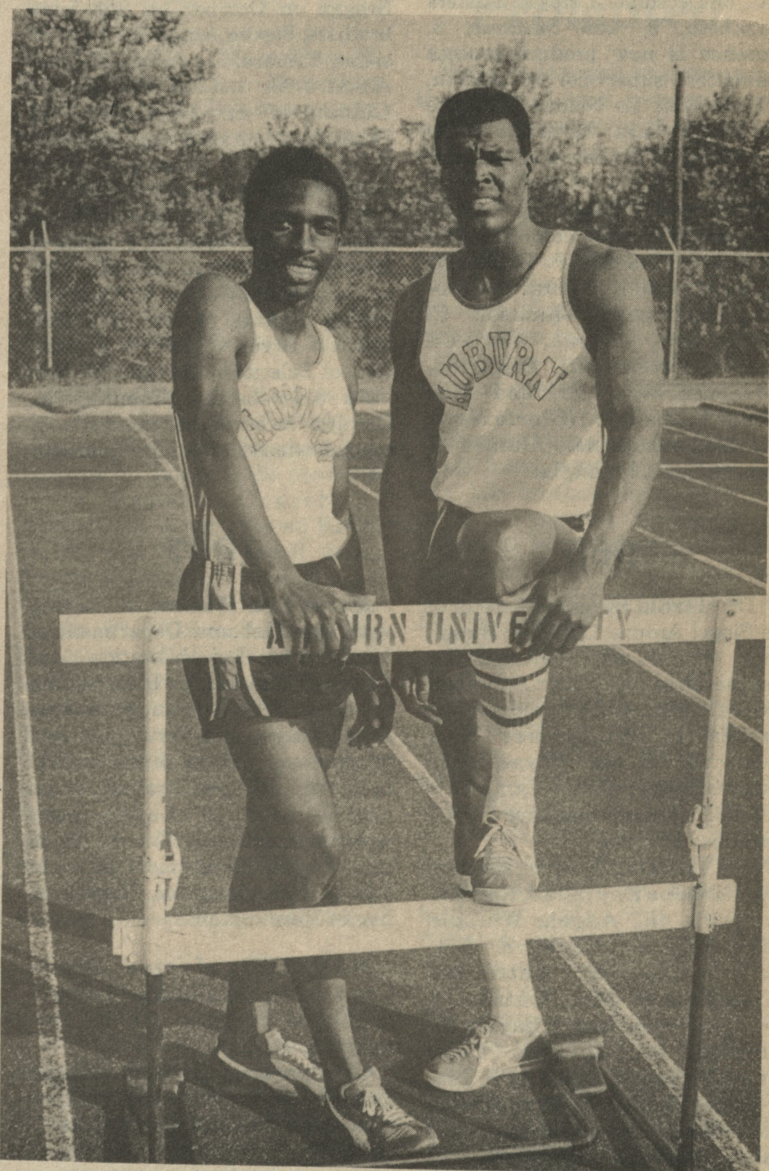
feet 9 and three quarter inches. The large crowd was somewhat disappointed as Alabama failed to enter the 100-meters, the high hurdles, the 400-meter relay or the 200-meter dash. However, Terry Baker gave them something to cheer about as he was running third in the 5,000 meters going into the final lap when he turned on the speed and outdistanced Alabama's All-American runner Steve Bolt to the finish line. Terry set a new record in the 5,000 meters at

14:27.78 plus he set another track record in the steeplechase at 8:50.30. Theo Abston, a freshman from Mobile, almost beat Bolt also in the 1500-meters as the two runners ran shoulder to shoulder throughout most of the race when Bolt pulled ahead in the stretch to be timed in 3:46.3. Theo was timed in 3:47.

Auburn will be looking to improve on its eighth place finish last year at the NCAA Championships when they travel to Champaign, Ill., June 2, 3, 4.



**RECORD BREAKER**—Auburn's Terry Baker is about to get wet feet as he competes in the steeplechase in a dual meet against Alabama. Terry set a track record in the steeplechase at 8:50.30 and came back to beat Alabama's All-American distance runner Steve Bolt in the 5,000 meters. Terry's 5,000 meters time was another Wilbur Hutsell track mark at 14:27.78.



**HURDLERS**—Auburn hurdlers James Walker, left, and John Lewter pose for the cameras before their competition against each other. The occasion was a dual meet with Alabama, but the Crimson Tide failed to enter anyone in the high hurdles and John went on to win the event with James second.

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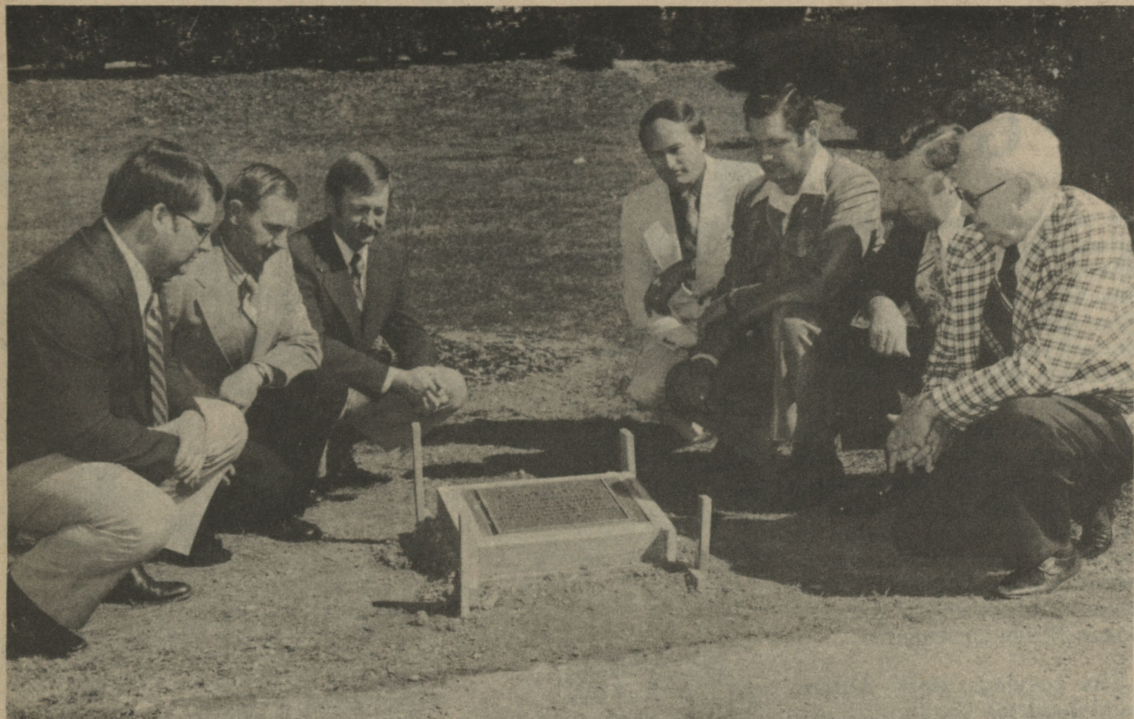
#### 1961

Maj. William C. Middlebrooks has been working on his master's in business administration while stationed in Hawaii with the 1st Marine Brigade. He will receive his degree from California's Pepperdine University on May 1. He lives with his wife and three sons in Kaneohe, Hawaii.... David P. Doss is the assistant state conservationist of water resources, USDA Soil Conservation Service in College Park, Md. NEW ADDRESS: Mr. and Mrs. C. Rayburn Sanders (Carol Bell '62), Birmingham; William H. Martin, Jr., Orlando, Fla.; Charles W. Story, Herndon, Va.; Joseph Gera, Lancaster, Calif.; Dr. Caulton L. Irwin, Sunnyvale, Calif.

#### 1962

Richard A. Roane lives in Tex-





**FORESTRY BOARD**—The board of directors for the Auburn Forestry Foundation held their annual meeting recently on the Auburn campus. The members, all AU forestry graduates, are shown looking at a monument which was placed in front of the Forestry Building in honor of the late Dr. Harold Christen. Left to right are Robert Morris (Bob) Shaffer, Jr., '67 of

Jasper; Roy J. Gamble '51 of Cullman, president of the board; Fred Harmon '59 of Selma, president of the Auburn Forestry Alumni Association; Harold H. Coan '57 of Haleyville; Eugene A. Sample '54 of Birmingham; H. C. Lucas '50 of Selma, and W. B. DeVall, professor and head of the Department of Forestry at Auburn.

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## Spring Means Rodeos

For most college students spring means weekend trips to the beach, suntans, and throwing frisbees, but for Auburn University student Sally Young it means traveling 400 to 700 miles in a weekend to tie goats and "ride barrels."

Sally is a third year member of the University's rodeo team and in the coming weekends she will travel to Beebe, Ark.; Russellville, Ark.; University of Tennessee at Martin; and West Plains, Mo.

"I like it. It takes a lot of hard work, a good horse, and quite a bit of money, but if you stay with it, it's real rewarding," said the senior physical education major from Auburn.

An official collegiate rodeo team consists of six men and three women, but Sally is often the only female Auburn member to make the long distance trips.

"We've had three women from Auburn to make the trips in the past, but when the trips are so far away, it's too far for the girls to go with the expenses," she said.

In the National Inter-Collegiate Rodeo Association (NICRA), women compete in barrel racing, goat tying, and break-away roping. The Auburn team travels to schools within the six-state Ozark region of the NICRA.

The past two years Sally has placed first in barrel racing in Ozark region and in the national top ten of women barrel racers.

Sally's husband of almost two years, Rusty, is also a member of the Auburn rodeo team and has won first place in steer wrestling the past two years. Both won \$500 scholarships for their first place feats.

Sally began rodeoing in Montgomery when she was nine because her older brother was in rodeo.

"My parents didn't have anything to do with it," said Sally. "They backed me up, but they rode horses only for pleasure."

It is not at all unusual for girls to do well in rodeo, and when Sally is not traveling with the

University's team she participates in rodeos sponsored by the Girl's Rodeo Association.

"We usually leave on Wednesday night, and I have to get my class notes when I get back," she said. "It's a mad rush between Monday and Wednesday."

Although Sally admits her schedule of school work and rodeoing is "sort of hard" she likes it and after graduation plans to combine teaching and professional rodeoing.

## Faces in the News



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Carol Ann Kuntze Motley '69 is director of communications and community relations for ARA Services Health Facilities Management Group, a division of ARA Services, Inc., which is the largest healthcare management corporation in the U.S. During the past year the 1976 Senior Super Walk project to benefit the March of Dimes, created by her staff, received an Honorable Mention Award from the International Association of Business Communicators District 5 competition. In addition a 30-second television commercial which she created and produced was given a Certificate of Excellence by the Houston Advertising Federation 1977 Grand Prix judges. It was the only award winner not produced or created by an advertising agency. She has also been appointed to the Public Relations Committee of the Texas Nursing Home Association for the second year in a row.

Dr. Kyo R. Jhin '71 has been chosen as Outstanding Adult Educator of the Year by the Alabama Association for Public and Continuing Adult Education for his contributions to adult education on the local, state, and national levels. He is executive director of the Top of Alabama Regional Education Service Agency (TARESA) which serves eight school districts in five northeastern Alabama counties. During the past 5 years 5,000 adults in the region have been assisted by the program in passing the General Educational Development Test. In 1975 the TARESA Adult Education Program was selected as one of seven top programs in the nation and one of 14 in the World to make a presentation at the International Conference on Adult Education in Washington, D.C. Dr. Jhin is currently serving on the National Advisory Council on Adult Education. Once a high school dropout himself, he holds the A.A. from Freed-Hardeman, B.A. from David Lipscomb, M.A. in government and international relations from New York University, a second master's in mathematics from Boston College and an Ed.D. in mathematics education and supervision from Auburn. A native Korean, Dr. Jhin became an American citizen in 1966.

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Columbus, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Walker (Mary Linda Meadows '64), St. Francisville, La.

### 1964

**MARRIED:** Jill Porch Stamps to James R. Burt, Jr. They live in Huntsville where they both work for the Missile Research and Development Command, U.S. Army.

**BORN:** A son, David Nash, to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence B. Mahoney, Jr., (Janice Parks '65) of Kinston, N.C., on December 3. He joins sisters Elizabeth, 9, and Suzanne, 6. Clarence is now products-process evaluation supervisor of dacron, E.I. DuPont De Nemours. Janice received her master's in librarianship in December from the University of South Carolina.

**NEW ADDRESSES:** Jane Turner Nix (Mrs. John P.), Birmingham; Priscilla P. Brinkley, Elizabethtown, Ky.; John H. Marcus, Birmingham; Jackson C. Floyd, Jr., Atlanta, Ga.; Dr. Lynne Grodzichki Siegfried, Columbus, Wis.; Mr. and Mrs. James L. Hall, Jr., (Gloria Newton '65), Montgomery; James C. Mason, Jr., Clinton, La.

### 1965

Dr. Harold Siegel is director of the Siegel Animal Clinic in Miami, Fla., which was selected for membership in the American Animal Hospital Association.... James L. Neely has been transferred to the Wayne, N.J., headquarters of Union Camp as a national accounts manager for the Container Division.

**NEW ADDRESSES:** Martha Ann Gibbens Day (Mrs. J. Kerwin), Naperville, Ill.; Angela Whipple Wise (Mrs. Richard B.), Watkinsville, Ga.; Katherine Parks George (Mrs. Thomas C.), APO San Francisco; Charles E. Ethridge, Dayton, Ohio; Capt. James E. Smith, Dyess AFB, Texas; Roger D. Hester, Hattiesburg, Miss.; Darby M. Callaway, Jr., Union Springs; Reginald D. Gilbert, Birmingham; Dorothy Teague Short (Mrs. Kenneth M.), Houston, Texas; Gary Stuart Woodard, Jacksonville, Fla.

### 1966

Dr. Jerry H. Smith has left his position of assistant professor in the chemistry department at Marquette University to join ICI United States, Inc., as a research chemist with the corporate research department near Wilmington, Del. He lives in Claymont, Del.... John F. Henley works for the Federal Aviation Administration at the aeronautical center in Oklahoma City, Okla.

**BORN:** A daughter, Charis, to Mr. and Mrs. Don W. Casey of Braggs on October 14. She joins brothers, Steven, 8, and Todd, 7, and sister, Tamara, 5.... A son, Michael Albert, to Mr. and Mrs. David Carl Golden of St. Peter, Mo., on December 2. He joins Amy Michelle, 5, and Matthew Gregory, 3. Dave works for McDonnell-Douglas....

A daughter, Carolyn Jane, to Capt. and Mrs. John M. Buzbee of Randolph AFB, San Antonio, Texas, on January 12.... A daughter, Tracey Lynne, to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Bryan (Carolyn F. Sutton) of Eclectic on January 27. She joins older brother Tommy, 2½. Carolyn received her master's in special education from Auburn in 1976.

### 1967

Maria Lyn Munroe is working with the Alabama Department of Vocational Rehabilitation and Crippled Children in Birmingham on a CETA (Comprehensive Employment and Training Act) program as project director. This program involves training and employment of handicapped workers in Jefferson County and is funded by the Department of Labor. Lyn and her daughter, Shanna, 6, live in Birmingham.

**MARRIED:** Janice Grace Coon to Freeman Michael Butland on March 5. They live in Farmington, Conn....

Carolyn Ruth Beckett to Capt. Tom Hodge. They live at Fort Sherman in the Panama Canal Zone.

### 1968

Billy N. Rogers has resigned as

assistant cashier and loan officer at the First National Bank of Birmingham to become assistant vice president and loan officer with the First Colbert National Bank of Sheffield. He is a member of the Sheffield Kiwanis Club and county chairman for the Leukemia Drive. He and his wife, Dea, have two children: Brad, 7, and Deidre, 4.... Judith B. Weyant is now Mrs. Joseph J. O'Brien, Jr. She and her husband, an attorney, live in Clark Summit, Pa....

Capt. Harry J. Geron has been awarded the Air Force Systems Command (AFSC) Certificate of Merit for outstanding accomplishment at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. Capt. Geron, an integration engineer, was selected for his duty performance in support of the AFSC mission. He is assigned to the F-15 System Program Office, a part of the AFSC....

Bruce Farrar has been promoted to plant manager of the new Pine Brook, N.J., facility of John H. Harland Co. He and his wife, Joan, have two children, Jill and Ryan....

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## Six Alumni Named OYMA

Six Auburn alumni are among those chosen as Outstanding Young Men of America for 1977, a selection sponsored by the Jaycees and other civic organizations. The criteria for selection include voluntary service to community, professional leadership, academic achievement, business advancement, cultural accomplishments, and civic and political participation.

Included this year are Clifford Maxwell Butler '67 of Pensacola, Fla.; J. Jette Campbell '69 of Missouri City, Tex.; Edward Lamar Chandler '66 of Warrensburg, Mo.; Thomas M. Eden, III, '76 of Montgomery; Joseph David Eiland '76 of Andalusia, and John Read Williamson '66 of Mobile.

## Lost Alumni

Capt. Lonnie Nelms, Jr. '66  
APO San Francisco 96320

Lt. Robert E. Nelms '68  
APO San Francisco 96270

Mr. Edward G. Nelson '48  
Birmingham, Ala.

Lcdr. Harry J. Nelson, Jr. '49  
Clearwater, Fla. 33515

Mr. Robert E. Nelson '68  
Riverside, Calif. 92508

Mr. Rolfe B. Nelson '49  
Glencoe, Ala.

Mr. W. Stanely Nelson, Jr. '65  
Conyers, Ga. 30307

Mr. William H. Nelson, III '70  
Birmingham, Ala. 35226

Mrs. James A. Nesbitt '67  
Newnan, Ga. 30263

Miss Billie L. NeSmith '69  
Auburn, Ala. 36830

Mr. David H. Nettles '46  
Tampa, Fla.

Mrs. Danna C. New '72  
LaGrange, Ga. 30240

Mrs. Celia M. Newbold '62  
Montgomery, Ala. 36106

Mr. David A. Newcome '55  
New York, N. Y.



# News of Auburn Clubs

**The Tidewater, Va., Auburn Club** met for an alumni dinner on March 21 at Langley AFB, Va. Dr. Larry U. Frost '53 presided at the meeting which included Auburn guests Tim Christian of the coaching staff and George L. (Buck) Bradberry of the Alumni Association. The following new officers were elected: president, Col. James M. Shuler '45; vice president, Lee D. Masters '62; secretary, Sue Dees Nelson '59, and treasurer, Maj. David S. Wiesenfeld '65.

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**Okaloosa County, Florida, Auburn Club** met at Fort Walton Beach on March 12 with Coach Buddy Nix and Associate Alumni Secretary Tommy Lambert as guests. New officers include Lt. Col. Art L. Stevens, Jr., '50, president; William B. (Bill) Cross '63, 1st vice president; Terry Bost Land '40, 2nd vice president; Nancy Dyess (Mrs. Charles R. '60), secretary; and Herb W. Brown '67, treasurer. Dave J. Edwards '49, Rocky O'Conner, Bill Roberts '62, G. Roy Vance '60, and Maj. Gen. Woodard E. Davis, Jr., '45, are the entertainment committee.

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Some 60 alumni attended the meeting of the **Augusta (Ga.) Area Auburn Club** on March 22. Club president Charlie E. Varner '67 presided. The activities included an update on

the university and alumni activities by Dr. Julian Holmes of the Alumni Office, and on football recruiting, etc., by Steve Greer of the coaching staff. A free subscription to *The Plainsman* was given as a door-prize and plans were made for a trip to Auburn and for a family picnic later in the summer.

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**Washington, D.C., Area Alumni** met for dinner on April 15. Lt. Col. John A. Shriver '57, chairman of the steering committee to organize the group, presided at the meeting which included 70 alumni and guests. Alumni Associate Secretary Julian Holmes and Athletic Director Lee Hayley were the guests from Auburn. Alumni in the Washington area who are not on the Auburn Alumni mailing lists should contact Col. Shriver at (705) 569-2510 if they wish to be advised of the future area alumni meetings.

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**Mississippi Gulf Coast Auburn Club** held their spring meeting on April 21. Ken Howard spoke to the group on spring sports at Auburn. James D. Murry, Jr., '68 presided at the meeting attended by 40 alumni and friends.

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**Spaceport War Eagles** met at Rockledge, Fla., for a steak cookout on April 23. Jack Dryer, III, '43 presided at the meeting. Julian Holmes from the Alumni Office was on hand to meet the 70 alumni who attended.

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## UPCOMING AUBURN CLUB MEETINGS

All alumni in the Gainesville Fla., area are in-

vited to attend a meeting to be held Wednesday, May 18, at the Elks Club in Gainesville. The social hour will begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. Coach Doug Barfield will be the speaker for this event. For more information, contact Lee Jones at 373-9149 between 5:30 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.

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All alumni in **Cullman County** are invited to attend Neil O'Donoghue and Doyle Baker Day on May 20. Coach Barfield will be the guest speaker at the meeting, which will be a covered dish supper. For more information, contact Herman Reid at 734-5680.

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Dr. James Foy, dean of student affairs at Auburn, will be the speaker for a meeting of the **Tampa Bay Area Auburn Club** to be held May 26. For more information, contact Nick Babanats at (813) 879-3794.

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Coach Barfield will be the speaker for a meeting of the **Miami Area Auburn Club** to be held Friday, June 3. The meeting, which will be held at the DuPont Plaza Hotel, starts at 6:30 p.m. with a social hour, followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. For further information, call Sherry Matthews at (305) 274-5304 (after 6:00 p.m.) or Francine McIntosh at (305) 245-3260.

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The **LaGrange Area Auburn Club** will meet on Thursday, May 19, with Dr. Harry Philpott as speaker. The meeting will be held at the Highland Country Club and will begin at 7:00 p.m. with a social hour. Dinner will begin at 8:00 p.m. All alumni in the LaGrange area are invited to attend and may make reservations by contacting Chris Joseph at 884-7331 or 884-1005.

## Help Us Find Lost Alumni

Mr. Colvin Newman '50  
Andalusia, Ala.

Mr. Ernest E. Newman '49  
Newport News, Va.

Mr. John J. Newman '60  
Atlanta, Ga. 30338

Mr. Raymond H. Newman, Jr. '58  
Dadeville, Ala.

Mr. Gerald T. Newsom '61  
Decatur, Ala. 35601

Mr. Coy P. Newton '66  
Huntsville, Ala. 35805

Dr. T. Edward Newton '40  
Birmingham, Ala. 35208

Ensign Alan M. Nibbs, Jr. '71  
FPO New York 09501

Mr. Kenwood C. Nichols '61  
Atlanta, Ga. 30338

Mr. Robert M. Nickerson '39  
Stone Mountain, Ga. 30083

Miss Memorie Nichols '70  
Atlanta, Ga. 30318

Mr. Michael M. Nichols '68  
Florence, Ala. 35630

Mr. Jack Nichols '57  
Huntsville, Ala. 35802

Mr. Thomas L. Nichols, Jr. '55  
Panama City, Fla.

Mr. Daniel F. Nielsen, Jr. '75  
Auburn, Ala. 36830

Mr. Norman A. Nielsen '27  
Aiken, S. C.

Mr. Ara J. Nigosian '44  
Berkley 4, Calif.

Mr. Conrad E. Nix '67  
Warner Robins, Ga. 31093

Mr. Crawford Nixon '31  
Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Mr. John L. Nixon, Jr. '71  
Gardiner, Maine 04345

Mr. Robert G. Nixon, Jr. '62  
Florence State College  
Florence, Ala. 35630

Mr. Nizamuddin '69  
Dothan, Ala. 36301

Miss Imogene Noblitt '47  
Boaz, Ala.

Mr. Robert W. Nock '40  
Johnstown, N. Y.

Miss Sally L. Noel '61  
Boaz, Ala. 35957

Miss Carolyn D. Nolan '74  
Auburn, Ala. 36830

Mr. Alvin J. Nolen '30  
Winter Haven, Fla.

Ensign DeForest R. Nolen '73  
FPO Seattle 98791

Mr. Jimmie B. Nolin '64  
Niceville, Fla. 32578

Lt. Rodney S. Nolen '68  
Union Grove, Ala. 35175

Mrs. Joe E. Noll, Jr. '46  
Sewanee, Tenn. 37375

Mr. Benjamin C. Noojin '48  
Attalla, Ala.



**MARENGO COUNTY CLUB**—Club officers Roy M. Jordan '55, left, and John J. Caldwell, Jr., '47, right, pose with Coach Doug Barfield following a dinner meeting of the Marengo County Auburn Club held in Demopolis on March 16. Some 150 Auburn alumni and friends came out to meet Coach Barfield. Mr. Jordan is president of the Marengo County Club and Mr. Caldwell is vice president.

## ALUMNALITIES—Continued

Douglas C. Wallace has retired from WRBL-TV in Columbus, Ga., after 24 years as weather forecaster.

**BORN:** A daughter, Farah Sharman, to Mr. and Mrs. John D. Ford (Mary Keeble '71) of Newnan, Ga., on January 16. John is a sales representative with Polaroid Corp. in Atlanta and Mary is a speech therapist in the Coweta County School System.

Power's Plant Hatch Visitors Center, has been named chairman of the Tri-County Fair Board, as well as chairman of the Civic Clubs Council of Appling County, Ga....

W.D. Lambert, Jr., has been promoted to plant manager with Dimensional Products in Mobile.... Rebecca J. Moore graduated with honors from Shippensburg State College in Shippensburg, Pa., in

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## 1969

**Spencer Jackson Marsh** received his Ph.D. in physics in 1976 from the University of Texas at Austin. He now works at the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington, D.C.... Mr. and Mrs. M. David Fisher (Nell McArthur '70) live in Huntsville where he is an industrial engineer with Chrysler Corp....

Capt. Daniel E. Reeve is stationed at Sembach Air Base, Germany, where he is a reconnaissance staff officer. He and his wife, Angie, have one daughter, Kristin.... Keith R. Kittinger, Jr., is assistant sales manager for Southeastern Metals Co. in Birmingham....

**BORN:** A son, Jon Bart, to Mr. and Mrs. James M. Castleberry (Joette Bush) of Wetumpka on January 31. James is the pastor of First Baptist Church of Wetumpka.... A son, Shawn Keith, to Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Jacks (Patricia Smith) of Milton, Fla., on March 2. He joins big sister, Heather Brooke, 3½. Patricia is completing her eighth year of teaching English at Milton High School. She is working on her MAT at the University of West Florida in Pensacola.... A son, William Scott, to Mr. and Mrs. Grady O. Lanier, III, (Leslie Ann Scott '71) of Andalusia on March 8. Scott joins sisters Margaret, 5, and Elizabeth, 1. Grady is the attorney for Alabama Electric Cooperative in Andalusia.

## 1970

William S. Stigler was recently promoted to vice president of the mortgage loan servicing department of Collateral Investment Co., the largest independent mortgage banking firm in the Southeast, with headquarters in Birmingham.... James Michael (Jim) Dembowski, director of Georgia

## Swingle Brothers Promoted

Swingle is a well-known name in national and international circles concerned with fisheries, as a result of the work of Auburn's late Homer Scott Swingle who received worldwide acclaim as an authority in fresh water fish culture. Now his sons, Wayne '61 and Hugh '65, are earning recognition in their own right.

Wayne was recently appointed executive director of the Gulf of Mexico Regional Fisheries Management Council with headquarters in Tampa, Fla. His brother Hugh, who has been a marine biologist at Dauphin Island for nine years, was named to succeed Wayne as Marine Resources director at Dauphin Island.

Both brothers spent four years in the Navy and then began their scientific education. After completing his studies at Auburn, Wayne worked for three years as a marine biologist in the Mobile District. He returned to Auburn for a short time as an instructor before going to the Virgin Islands as a marine biologist. He was later a research associate at the University of Connecticut before returning to the Marine Resources Division in 1969. He became director in 1974.

Hugh Swingle graduated from Auburn in 1965 and received a master's in fisheries management two years later. He joined the Marine Resources Division and advanced through the ranks to become the new director.

## Faces in the News



Cloud

Schell

**Burt Cloud** '66 has been appointed district manager for Southern Bell in Athens, Ga. He and his wife, Sherry Grace '67, and son, Cary, live in Athens.

**John T. Schell, III, '67** is a Democratic candidate for attorney general of Virginia. A graduate of the University of Virginia Law School, he is a national expert on the utility fuel adjustment clause and has represented consumers' groups in opposing utility rate increases. He co-authored an article "Public Participation in the Regulation of Utilities by the Virginia State Corporation Commission: How the Commission Makes Public Policy While it Makes Rates" for the *William and Mary Law Review*. He is co-founder and executive vice-president of The Research Group, Inc., a nationwide corporation based in Charlottesville, Va., which offers legal research services for lawyers. In 1971, he directed a study for Law Enforcement Officers' Training and Standards Commission on the need for better selection and training for law enforcement officers in Virginia. Mr. Schell practices law in Washington, D.C., and Virginia. He and his wife, Arden, and son, Stanton Ford, 1, live in McLean, Va.



# Professor Sees 'Teaching as Calling'

By Sharon Mitchell '77

"I decided I'd rather teach than preach," said Dr. W. David Lewis, Auburn history professor. As a Pennsylvania State University undergraduate, Dr. Lewis planned to enter the ministry but after graduation decided to pursue a master's in history, and he does not believe he has missed his calling. "I look at teaching as a calling," he says. "We are here to do certain things; history is my thing."

## 'We Are Here to Do Certain Things; History Is My Thing'

The professor, who practices Transcendental Meditation, possesses a "mystical attitude toward reality." Although he is always conventionally clad in suit and tie, his long bushy gray beard gives him a somewhat mystical appearance. As Auburn's interdisciplinary link between history and engineering, Dr. Lewis has incorporated some of his religious and philosophical views in his teaching. His Technology and Civilization courses, a three quarter series, begin with theories about the creation of the universe and end with speculations about the future.

"Man is a creature of free will who must share God's creative power in transforming the earth," says Dr. Lewis. "The

justification of technology is what it does for people. I show students the social forces bearing upon technological advancements. It is up to each individual to find how he relates to these forces."

The professor developed the technology and civilization courses when he came to Auburn in 1971 from the State University of New York at Buffalo. Offered as an alternate to the world history requirement,

several thousand slides, he stands on the auditorium stage and relates the history of such developments as mass production and motion pictures. As the lecture progresses, his voice becomes louder and his enthusiasm for the course is apparent.

"On days when he feels he's done particularly well," says Vicki, "he comes back into the room almost dancing. David is happiest when he's talking about ideas. He has an incredible grasp of the history of technology and an almost encyclopedic mind filled with facts and figures."

In the professor's advanced technology and society courses, the student can pursue personal interests in technology.

## 'Justification of Technology is What it Does for People'

the course is filled to capacity each quarter.

Dr. Lewis' class lectures are really a "performance," says his administrative assistant, Vicki Braund. With the collection of

"There are so many things you can adapt technology to," says Dr. Lewis. "One of my best students, a volunteer fireman, wrote about the history of fire fighting equipment. I'm always

learning from students. Teaching is a very gratifying experience when students can tell you something you didn't know."

Besides his demanding teaching load, Dr. Lewis and Dr. B. Eugene Griessman, head professor of sociology, are completing a film, "About Us," to be released nationally on PBS, tentatively scheduled for June 7. The hour documentary discusses the cultural and technological advancements of the changing South. The first half of the film relates traditional Southern attitudes and values including the black-white relationship, football, attachment to the land, the role of violence in the past, Southern humor, and stock-car racing.

"The documentary has its lighter and its more serious moments," says Dr. Lewis. "We even included shots from the 1974 Auburn-Alabama game."

The second half of the film shows the South's urban and industrial development and discusses its future in the "mad

national and international film-winning producer, did an excellent job with the film."

Along with the film research, Dr. Lewis has worked jointly with Dr. Wesley Newton of the Auburn History Department on a history of Delta Airlines. The book will encompass the entire development of Delta from a crop-dusting firm to a major airline. It includes interviews with stewardesses and mechanics as well as pilots and executives.

"We have researched a staggering amount of records—some in obscure places such as old hangars," says Dr. Lewis.

Despite his tremendous work load, Dr. Lewis, a professional musician, finds time for his job as choir director and organist of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church.

"It is obvious he enjoys his work [at the church] and is genuinely interested in people," says Rev. Bill McLemore. "I think he would have been a good minister. He gives everything a great deal of forethought and is constantly challenging his faith."

But Dr. Lewis has no second thoughts about the ministry. "I

## 'Always Learning from Students'

rush for modernization."

Dr. Lewis is eagerly anticipating the film's release. "I believe the film will have a good response," he says. "The National Endowment for the Humanities, which funded the \$107,000 project, was enthused with the topic. Roger Hagan,

am very generally enthused about what I am doing," he says. "I wanted to develop interdisciplinary courses which would connect technology and the humanities; Auburn gave me the opportunity. I grew up in the land-grant tradition and feel very much at home in this kind of situation."

## AUBURN ALUMNALITIES—Continued

August, 1976. She is now teaching kindergarten in Carlisle, Pa., while she works on her master's in elementary counselling at Shippensburg State.... **Lynwood Johnson, Jr.**, works with Courtesy Ford in Montgomery.... **Lawrence Robert Tabor, Jr.**, is a sales representative for Medical Supply Co. of Miami. He lives in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla....

Dr. **Michael K. Eckman** has been appointed poultry pathologist with the Alabama Cooperative Extension Service at Auburn Uni-

versity. He was senior research parasitologist with Norwich Pharmacal Co. in Norwich, N.Y., from 1966 to 1971, when he joined Dow Chemical Co. in Lake Jackson, Texas, as a research specialist... **Larry J. Stephens** works for Russell Corp. in Alexander City. He and his wife, **Jenny A. Lester '72**, live in Dadeville....

**Dwayne Brewer** has been selected as the Outstanding Young Man of Phenix City for 1976. He also received the Key Man Award from the Phenix City Jaycees. Dwayne,

an officer with First Alabama Bank, and his wife, **Jerry Lynn Elmore '69**, have an eight-month-old daughter, **Glynn... Chun Shyong Chang** is an associate professor of finance at the National Chengch University in Taipei, Taiwan.

**BORN:** A daughter, **Mary Margaret**, to Mr. and Mrs. **Charles Gardner (Susan Graham)** of Northport on December 6. She joins big brother, **Will**, 2½. Charles is a probation officer with the U.S. Probation Office in Tuscaloosa... A son, **James Michael, Jr.**, to Mr. and Mrs. **James Michael Williams** of Auburn on March 11... A son, **Brett Sherman**, to Mr. and Mrs. **Richard Griner (Maxanne Howard)** on March 27.

## 1971

Mr. and Mrs. **Phillip F. Moon (Jane Holley '73)** live in Indianapolis, Ind., where he is project manager for Shambaugh and Son, Inc. They have one daughter **Cady**, 2.... **William D. Lingo** is senior loss prevention representative with Liberty Mutual Insurance Co. in Virginia Beach, Va....

**Clay M. Nordan** of Montevallo is production manager of *Southern Living* magazine. He received the master of arts from the University of Montevallo last August... **Faye Marie Bradley Faulk** works with the HPER Dept. at Lurleen B. Wallace State Junior College in Andalusia.... **Greg Gallagher** was promoted to Dallas, Texas, branch manager for PPG Industries—Fiberglass Division last January. He lives in Dallas with his wife, **Betsy**.... **Helen Russell Phillips** teaches math at a high school in Severna Park, Md.

and about education is rarely found in a single individual."

Dr. Montgomery holds the B.S. and M.S. degrees from AU and the Ph.D. from Ohio State University. He joined the faculty at Auburn in 1940 and became head of the Department of Agricultural Education in 1952.

The department, becoming more comprehensive and eventually including 11 areas of specialization, was renamed in 1963. It has one of the largest enrollments on campus at all levels and the largest at the graduate level.

In addition to teaching, Dr. Montgomery says he plans to engage in some research and the development of programs to improve the delivery of subject matter taught in the department.

## Montgomery Steps Down

A search committee to recommend a successor to Dr. R. W. Montgomery, who has asked to be relieved of his administrative duties as head of the Department of Vocational and Adult Education, has been announced by School of Education Dean Jack Blackburn.

Departmental members of the committee are Dr. Cayce Scarborough, chairperson, Dr. Edwin Kurth and Dr. Virginia Hayes. Other members are Dr. Hugh Donnan of counselor education and Dr. Elmo Renoll of agricultural engineering.

Dr. Montgomery will continue on the faculty after his successor assumes the position on Sept. 1.

"Dr. Montgomery is to be commended for his leadership in the growth and development of the Center for Vocational and Adult Education concept," said Dr. Blackburn. "His educational beliefs transcend the vocational education area to all of education. Such an extensive belief in

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## Students Different Breed in '46

By Deborah Hocutt  
AU News Bureau

He apologized to me for giving a dull interview. But a man who got married lying in a hospital bed with a multiple-fractured leg and several broken ribs can't be considered uninteresting, especially when with quiet, subtle humor he has just laid bare the gangling adolescent Auburn University of the 30s and the subsequent war-formed young adult University of the 40s. Those were the days when the one or two man Textile Engineering Department carried about the same number of students as the eight-member faculty today. When Charlie Knight '40 returned to his alma mater to teach in 1946, he doubled the entire textile engineering faculty of one.

Professor Knight has retired and been named professor emeritus, but, he says, "The only thing I've retired from is the University payroll. Auburn University is too much a part of my life to give it all up."

"Why, I've had the same football seats for 30 years, and I hope to continue getting them," he assured me.

Charlie Knight rode the bus from Andalusia to Auburn in 1936 to attend the University. For four years he remained, studying and working full time.

"I worked at a cafe located in what is now called the Polly-Tek building," Prof. Knight recalled. "In those days, I worked 32 hours a week for meals, and was happy to be able to."

After his graduation with a degree in textile engineering in

1940, he worked a year at Swift Manufacturing Company in Columbus, Ga. Then there was the war, and he joined the Army.

For five years he was in field artillery in Europe and Africa, serving for a time in Patton's division. He was in England for a while, participated in the invasion of Normandy, and finally the Allied Occupation of Berlin. He left the Army in 1945 as a major and returned to Columbus.

"I returned to my job after the war, and of course things had changed from when I left. So I was soon ready to make a change," he said. "About that time, they asked me to come teach at Auburn, so I came back."

"You might say I fell into a teaching career," he added, "because I wasn't sure I wanted to teach. But the enjoyment of working with students held me."

He returned to Auburn as student enrollment was climbing with the large influx that followed the war.

"I had agreed to come help out with the overflow of students for six months. It took me 29 years to make up my mind to leave," he chuckled.

Prof. Knight remembers the college as it was when he began his teaching career.

"The school was three times

as crowded as it is now, because there were 7000 students and accommodations for only about 3000," he recalled.

"There were very inadequate housing and classrooms. As many as thirty-five boys would live on one floor of a boarding house in town, sharing one bathroom, and glad to have any place to live and go to school. I know two boys who lived in a church steeple downtown."

"But going to school was all that mattered to them after the war," he continued. "No matter where they had to stay, just so they could get an education."

"You see, after the war, the young people felt behind and that they had to catch up before life had passed them by," he explained.

This feeling among the students produced one of the major differences between them and their modern counterparts, Prof. Knight pointed out:

"The thing that impressed me about the students of 1946 was their dedication to work because they felt they were behind. They wanted to get their educations and get out into the world. You couldn't give them too much work to do, even though we had Saturday classes then and they worked day and night."

"Today's student is different. He has other things to occupy him," he said.

Somewhere in his early teaching years, Prof. Knight decided to get married, but he ran into a bit of trouble, a story he likes to tell but adds, "Don't tell my wife I told you."

"The night before the wedding, I was on my way to Columbus when I had a wreck. I broke my leg in several places, fractured some ribs, and was pretty beat up in general."

"But I got married the next day anyway, only four hours late. Of course I was in the hospital bed, under heavy anesthesia, and my friends taped the ceremony and played it back to me three days later to prove I'd really done it," he added, so seriously that I didn't know whether to disbelieve him.

A teaching career of thirty years produces a lot of graduates, and Prof. Knight counts his graduates as his greatest enjoyment of teaching.

"I've had hundreds of students, and I can hardly go anywhere in the country without bumping into some of the boys," he said.

A long teaching career has also afforded him a long-range view of the textile engineering profession.

"When I was a student, there were no women students in textile engineering," he said. "Now, there are quite a few and I feel the number will increase as industry itself realizes the advantages of hiring women."

For twenty years, Prof. Knight, whom his students called "Chiley" behind his back, was faculty adviser of the textile honorary fraternity. When the Student Union Building was built from student funds in the Fifties, the fraternity wove the backdrop for the stage and the



**THINKING BACK**—"The thing that impressed me about the students of 1946 was their dedication to work.... You couldn't give them too much work to do."—Professor Emeritus Charlie Knight.

first curtains for the building, and donated them.

Since his retirement, Prof. Knight is enjoying a position he called "honeydo."

"I'm honeydo around the house," he said with a straight face. "Honeydo this and honeydo that."

He also said he is working around the cabin he built a few years ago on Lake Martin. "I've just finished a greenhouse at home; I enjoy working with my hands and have plenty to do to entertain myself for a year or so. Then I'll just see what I want to do," he planned.

## ALUMNALITIES—Continued

**BORN:** A daughter, Angela Gwin, to Dr. and Mrs. Larry L. Massey (Margaret Ann Gwin '69) of Beaufort, N.C., on March 8. Larry is an operations research analyst with National Marine Fisheries at Beaufort.... A son, David, to Mr. and Mrs. James S. Hopper (Patricia L. Weaver '70) of Summerville, S.C., on January 27....

A daughter, Sarah Frances, to Mr. and Mrs. Warren McPhillips, Jr., (Susan McMeans) of Atlanta, Ga., on January 28. She joins big sister Marie, 3½. Warren is a sales representative with St. Regis Paper Co. and a member of their recruiting team.... A daughter, Tiffany Leigh, to Mr. and Mrs. William W. Quinn (Frances Bailey) of Columbia, S.C., on March 9.... A daughter, Katherine Louise, to Mr. and Mrs. Steven D. Horne (Cheri Henry '72) of Birmingham on February 21. She joins sister Leanne, 4.

### 1972

James McIndoe has returned to work at the Alabama Water Improvement Commission after receiving his master's in sanitary engineering from Georgia Tech. His wife Joy Mallory '74, is an accountant with Retirement Systems of Alabama.... William C. McDonald, III, has been promoted to assistant vice president and commercial loan officer at First

National Bank of Birmingham....

James H. Kent, Jr., is a guidance counselor for the Army Education Center in Augsburg, West Germany. He completed his master's in counseling and human services at Boston University in May, 1976. He and his wife have one son, Christopher, 2½.... William G. Hightower graduated from the University of Alabama School of Law in 1975, took the state bar exam, and opened his own law practice in Troy. In November he was elected District Judge of Pike County....

William R. Hancock, DVM, is co-director of Lemay Animal Hospital in Fort Collins, Colo., which was recently accepted as a member hospital by the American Animal Hospital Association.... Capt. Michael H. Culpepper is a graduate student at the Monterey Institute of Foreign Studies working on a master's in Soviet Studies. He lives in Marina, Calif.... Capt. Lee W. Ray has received his master's in business administration from the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley, Colo. He is now assigned at Ellsworth AFB, S.D., as a missile combat crew commander in a unit of the Strategic Air Command. Virginia Hutson Sykes lives in Simpsonville, S.C., where her husband, Robert, recently joined The Torrington Co. in Clinton.

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**ALCOA SCHOLARSHIPS**—Robert V. Newsome (seated), technical and environment manager, and E. M. Jordan, engineering manager, recently presented Auburn a \$3,000 check on behalf of ALCOA to support engineering scholarships at Auburn. The gift will provide five scholarships according to Assistant Dean Ed Jones, left.





**SCHOLARSHIP**—David Morris, right, and Jerry Foshee '69, center, recently came to campus to present a scholarship grant from Tanatex, a division of Sybron Corp., to the Textile Engineering Department. Accepting the grant is Robert P. Walker '62, associate professor and chairman of the Textile Engineering

scholarship committee. The \$1,000 grant will be used to present one-time awards to students in the department's three programs of textile engineering, textile chemistry, and textile management. Mr. Foshee is a graduate of the Textile Engineering Department.

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## AUBURN ALUMNALITIES—Continued

**BORN:** A son, Cope McCall, to Mr. and Mrs. James D. Smith (Sandra Cope) of Union Springs on February 5. He joins sister Shay, 2.... A daughter, Mary Denise, to Mr. and Mrs. W. Thomas Rickles (Diane Lundy) of Opelika on January 8. She joins big sister, Melissa, 6. Thomas is now the production manager for Opelika Welding.

### 1973

**Robert E. Vaughan** is a bituminous engineer with the Alabama Highway Dept.... **William Blackmon** recently returned from a five week trip to Scotland for an exchange study program sponsored by Rotary International. He is assistant loan officer at The Bank of East Alabama in Opelika.... **Gary Stephen Chaffin** works for United States Steel in Birmingham....

**Cynthia Joyce Greathouse** is a medical technologist at Carraway Medical Center in Birmingham.... **Raymond Lee Anderson, Jr.**, works for Saunders Leasing Co. in Little Rock, Ark.... Mr. and Mrs. **James T. Harris (Maria Puente Duany '75)** live in Birmingham where she is interning at the news department of WBHM-FM and he is a civil engineer with Passavant Corp. Maria will receive her master's in mass communications from Auburn in June....

1/Lt. and Mrs. **Gunter B. Livingston (Anne Larkin '75)** are now living in Einsiedlerhof, Germany, while he is stationed at Kapaun Air Station.... **Fred L. Hudson** is the Alabama representative for Wadsworth Publishing Co. of Belmont, Calif. He lives in Birmingham.... Mr. and Mrs. **Dixon A. Bramblett (Barbara Doyle)** live in Auburn where she is assistant to the city manager and he is a clinical audiologist with George H. Norton, M.D., having received his master's from Auburn in March, 1976....

**Paul H. Blackwell, Jr.**, graduated from the University of Alabama School of Law in May, 1976, passed the Alabama Bar Examination in July, got married in August, and went on active duty with the Air Force in November. He is currently assigned as an assistant staff judge advocate at Loring AFB, Maine. He writes, "The only thing the people care about in Maine

is snow (and right now Indians since they're trying to take the state back). The only sports reports I read in the paper are about ski conditions and hockey scores. The South doesn't exist up here...."

**Ferron Wayne Stowe** works for Gresham & Smith Architects in Nashville, Tenn. He is presently working on a church in Lubbock, Texas.... **Roger M. Lee** is the supervisor of environmental systems for Alabama Power Co. in Birmingham.... Mr. and Mrs. **Mitchell W. Martin (Mona Teresa Graham '72)** live in Millbrook. She is an accountant for the State of Alabama and he is a professional relations representative for Blue Cross-Blue Shield in Montgomery....

**John L. Boutwell**, a research associate with the Auburn University Agricultural Experiment Station since March 1975, has been named Economist-Pest Management with the Alabama Cooperative Extension Service at Auburn.... **Donna F. Powelson** is now assistant director of the United Cerebral Palsy Association in Dallas, Texas, after receiving her master's in rehabilitation counseling from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville....

**Nancy Harris** is working toward a doctorate in French at Tulane University in New Orleans.

**MARRIED:** **Kathleen Valara Wight** to James E. Hall. They now live in Atmore.... **Cynthia L. Mayhall** to Richard Wayne Borge on December 13, 1975. They live in Knoxville, Tenn., where she teaches math at Fleniken Elementary School and he is working on a nursing degree at the University of Tennessee.

**BORN:** A son, Charles Christopher, Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. **Charles Christopher Joseph (Emily Preston '74)** of LaGrange, Ga., on March 22. Chris is a CPA with the firm of Gay & Joseph CPA's and Emily is a speech therapist with LaGrange City Schools.... A daughter, Jennifer Paige, to Mr. and Mrs. **Vaughn P. Stough (Jeni Parquette '74)** of Montgomery on March 2. Vaughn is a procurement forester with Koppers Co.... A son, Neil Andrew,

to Mr. and Mrs. **Steve Martin (Jacqueline Scott '71)** of Auburn on March 6. He joins sister Beth, 4. Steve is now project engineer with the Highway Department working at Smith's Station.

### 1974

**Johanna Glasscock** is an elementary guidance counselor for the Madison County Board of Education. She is currently working on her master's in counseling and guidance.... **Danny Crawford** has been assigned to the Jefferson County Cooperative Extension Service as an assistant farm agent....

2/Lt. **Jon Eric Stroberg** has graduated from Air Force pilot training at Columbus AFB, Miss. He is married to **Sally D'Angelo '73**.... **Michael J. Brooks** is pastor of the Alexandria Baptist Church near Anniston.... **Nix Carnley** is employed by the state and is attending law school in Birmingham....

**James E. Buckalew** has been named athletic director of the Montgomery Parks and Recreation Department. He and his wife, Constance, have two children, Misty, 5, and Ty, 1½.... **J. Douglas Springfield** is the business systems supervisor for the functional accounting division of South Central Bell at the company's headquarters....

**Barbara F. English** is working with speech and hearing for the Greenville, S.C., school system.... **Jay M. Cochran** has been elected assistant cashier of First Alabama Bank in Birmingham.... **Nancy L. Barber** lives in Baxley, Ga., where she is a home economics agent with the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service.... **George L. McGinty, II**, is a rate analyst for Florida Public Service Commission in Tallahassee....

**Jack T. Plaxco** was awarded the Le Brun \$5,000 Traveling Scholarship for study in Europe. He and his wife, **Susan Dunlap '74**, are currently in Europe and expect to return to the states in August....

**Kenneth W. Taylor** is a State Farm agent in Birmingham. His wife, **Carol C. Carr '75**, is a systems analyst for Southern Services.... **Robert L. Barnes** works in the utilities division in inside sales and service with Moore-Handley

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Columbus, Ind. 47201

Miss Amie O'Kelley '63  
Columbus, Ga. 31904

Frank L. Olds '36  
LaGrange, Ill. 60525

Mrs. Charles S. Olim '60  
Jackson, Miss 39202

Lt. Donald E. Olive '58  
APO San Francisco 94346

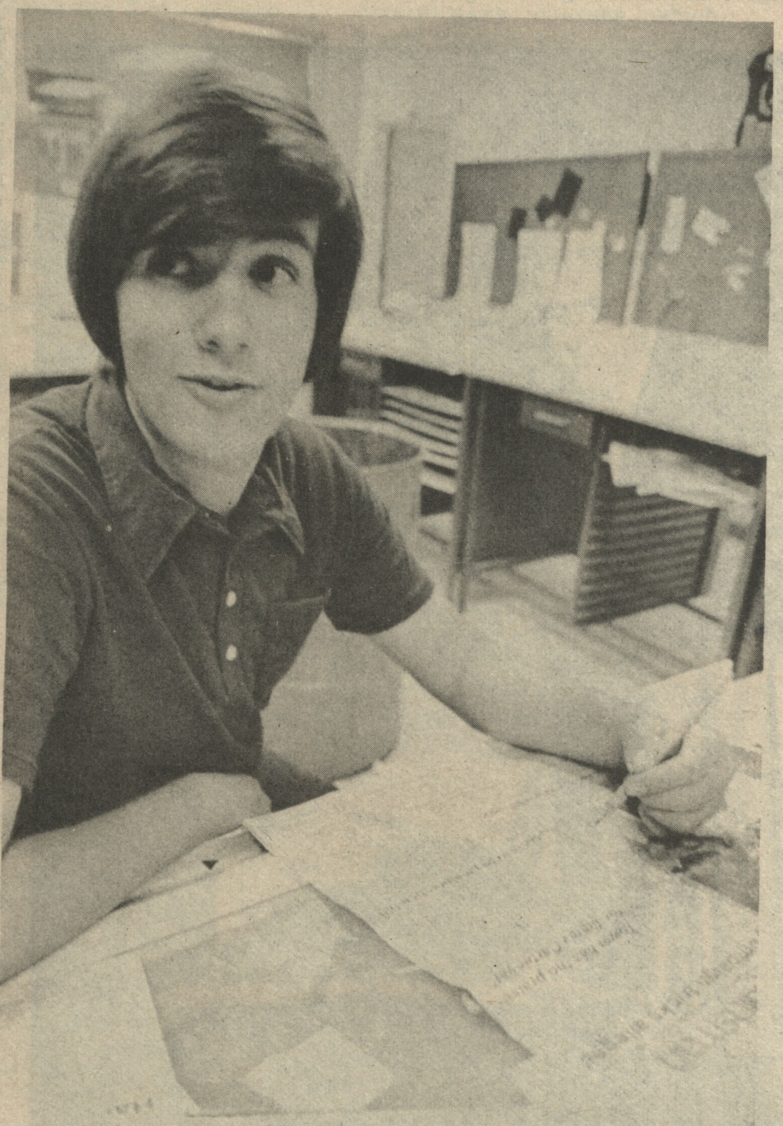
Charles P. Oliver '65  
Birmingham, Ala. 35210

Doctor William L. Oliver, Jr. '67  
Urbana, Ill. 61801

Wilmer M. Oliver '66  
Baton Rouge, La. 60815

Mrs. Wilmer M. Oliver '66  
Baton Rouge, La. 70815

Karlton J. Olsen '57  
Normal, Ill.



**PLAINSMAN EDITOR**—John Carvalho of Jacksonville, Fla., has been elected editor of *The Auburn Plainsman*, campus newspaper. *The Plainsman*, with a circulation of 17,500, consistently has been rated as one of the top college newspapers in the country. John, a junior majoring in journalism, served as managing editor this past year and interned with *The Jacksonville Journal* last summer.



# Help Us Find Lost Alumni

Mrs. Nell G. Olson '69  
Birmingham, Ala. 35205

Roger E. Olson '73  
Reseda, Calif. 91335

Major William A. Olsen '71  
Springfield, Mass. 01105

Cambyse Omidyar '68  
Washington, D.C. 20007

Mrs. Janis C. O'Mohundro '74  
El Paso, Texas 79930

Henry O'Quinn '64  
Samson, Ala. 36477

Lawrence A. O'Rear '53  
Nauvoo, Ala.

Michael A. O'Reilly '59  
Pensacola, Fla. 32501

Carlos Ormachea Z. '54  
La Paz, Bolivia, S.A.

Dennis K. Osborn '69  
Annandale, Va. 22003

Capt. W. Herbert Osborne, III '55  
Fort Benning, Ga.

David W. Oteri '63  
Mobile, Ala. 36605

Ens. George D. Outlaw, Jr. '64  
FPO New York, N.Y.

Irving J. C. Owen '64  
Ridgewood, N.J. 07450

Stanley M. Owen '48  
Huntsville, Ala. 35803

Douglas T. Owens '67  
Athens, Ga. 30601

Harry E. Owens '72  
Clarkston, Ga. 30021

James H. Owens '62  
Charlotte, N.C. 28202

Mrs. Patricia L. Owens '69  
Ozark, Ala. 36360

William B. Owens, Jr. '69  
Andalusia, Ala. 36420

B. Wayne Ozment '62  
Rome, Ga. 30161

Mrs. Deborah N. Pace '71  
Fort Walton Beach, Fla. 32548

John F. Pack, Jr. '70  
Decatur, Ga. 30031

Miss Nancy M. Page '74  
Hollywood, Fla. 33022

Paul T. Pagenhardt '50  
Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Miss Sarah N. Paige '44  
Columbus, Ga.

B. Lewis Pake '22  
Allentown, Pa.

Miss Esther Palacio Alfaro '53  
Holguin, Cuba

Miss Marilynne A. Paler '53  
Cleveland 30, Ohio

Spiros G. Pallas '65  
Auburn, Ala. 36830

Wm. Randolph Palmer '21  
Snow Hill, Ala. 36778

Shang-Yi Pan '65  
Taipei, Taiwan, CHINA

George Panhorst, Jr. '32  
Asheville, N.C. 28804

Teodore A. Papadeas '65  
Chattanooga, Tenn. 37411

Corp. Nick A. Pappas '51  
Andrews AFB, Washington 25, D.C.

Randall Paramore '58  
Midland City, Ala. 36350

Suryakant H. Parekh '64  
Charleston, W. Va. 15311

Himatlal S. Parekl '64  
Atlanta, Ga. 30308

William M. Parish '48  
Dothan, Ala.

John W. Park '66  
Bethesda, Md. 20034

Charles D. Parker '22  
Montgomery, Ala. 36111

Doctor Christopher S. Parker '63  
APO San Francisco 92604

Donald W. Parker, Jr. '63  
San Angelo, Texas 76901

Donese S. Parker '57  
Clearwater, Fla.

Edwin L. Parker '58  
Savannah, Ga. 31401

Mrs. Elizabeth F. Parker '62  
APO San Francisco 92674

Elvin E. Parker '56  
Smiths, Ala. 36877

Capt. Frank A. Parker '64  
Nellis AFB, Nev. 89191

Prof. Harry G. Parker '50  
Lake City, Fla. 32055

James D. Parker, Jr. '58  
Cincinnati 2, Ohio

Michael N. Parker '48  
Samson, Ala. 36477

Mrs. Miriam W. Parker '55  
Baton Rouge, La.

Major Samuel T. Parker '55  
Wichita Falls, Texas 76308

Mrs. Samuel T. Parker '55  
Wichita Falls, Texas 76308

William D. Parker, Jr. '61  
Ozark, Ala. 36360

David B. Parks '50  
Memphis, Tenn. 38117

Doctor E. Eugene Parks '56  
Pinson, Ala. 35126

Mrs. Jane R. Parks '58  
Huntsville, Ala. 35810

Ronald W. Parks '75  
Durant, Okla. 74701

## Faces in the News



Haynie

Todd

**Fred H. Haynie '54**, environmental engineer in the Environmental Sciences Research Laboratory with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), will receive the Sam Tour Award for 1977 given by the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM). The award, to be presented May 5, is made to the author of a paper published by ASTM of outstanding merit on improvement and evaluation of corrosion testing methods. Mr. Haynie received the award for his series of papers on environmental effects on atmospheric corrosion. He holds the B.S. and M.S. in chemical engineering from Auburn and the M.S. in metallurgical engineering from Ohio State. He has done additional graduate work at Georgia Tech and the University of Pennsylvania. Since working with EPA, he was branch/section chief of Material Branch/Section until its function was discontinued. He is currently an expert advisor on secondary air pollution standards and is collaborating with an economist to translate damage functions into economic terms so they can be used in cost-benefit models. He is author or co-author of 26 papers and major reports on various areas of corrosion.

**Dr. Herman E. Todd '56**, who received a doctorate from Texas A & M in industrial education with a support in adult education, did a study of the difficulties students face when transferring to four-year schools as well as the lack of opportunity for students from technical schools to continue their studies. His most recent position of coordinator and assistant professor of vocational and industrial education at the University of Southern Mississippi-Gulf Park has given him the opportunity to put his research to work. He earlier worked with IBM Corp. and Teledyne-Brown Engineering in Huntsville, taught in the Alabama public schools, and directed the Muscle Shoals Rehabilitation Center.

**AFTER 46 YEARS**—After 46 years of teaching poultry courses to agricultural and veterinary medicine students at Auburn, Dr. G. J. Cottier still maintains enthusiasm for his subject. Even though April 1 marked the first day of Dr. Cottier's official retirement from Auburn's School of Agriculture-Agricultural Experiment Station faculty, the professor is teaching a course during spring quarter as a non-paid volunteer.

## ALUMNALITIES—Continued

Inc. in Pelham. He and his wife, Keta, now live in Thorsby....

**Mr. and Mrs. Virgil P. Culver (Nancy Carroll '72)** are now at the University of Tennessee where Virgil has begun the Ph.D. program in agricultural economics. They have two daughters, Rachel, 2, and Julie Rebecca, 1....

**Joe Nix, III**, is a stockbroker with Thomson McKinnon Securities in Huntsville. He lives in Guntersville.... **Michael B. McGuffey** is with Pacific Columbia Mills in Columbia, S.C....

**William (Ronnie) Roland Philen** received a degree in pharmacy from Auburn in March and is now a resident intern at the VA Hospital in Nashville, Tenn....

**1/Lt. and Mrs. Murray M. Norred (Carol Hagan)** live in Alexandria, La., where Murray is a pilot with the 76th Tactical Fighter Squadron at England AFB, and Carol is a speech therapist with the Rapides Parish School Board.

**MARRIED: Laurel Garrison** to **Robert B. Davis** in March, 1976.... **Susan Sparks** to **Paul Michael Wilson '77**. They will be living in Mobile where Michael will be practicing at the Small Animal Clinic.... **Tina Likos '75** to **Jesse G. Horton, Jr.** They are living in Birmingham.... **Michele Sandusky** to **Michael M. Waggoner** on December 17. They live in Atlanta.

**BORN: A son, Gary Cunningham, III**, to Mr. and Mrs. Gary Wheat, II, (Carol King '75) of Huntsville on March 12.... A son, Will, to Dr. and Mrs. **Jim Benefield (Lydia M. Cook '71)** of Valdosta, Ga., on December 21. He joins big brother, Lewis, 3. Jim has bought an established large and small animal clinic....

A son, Daniel, to Mr. and Mrs. **Dan Wiggins (Jone Tomlin)** of

Waynesboro, Ga., on October 4.... A daughter, Ashleigh Michelle, to Mr. and Mrs. **Michael R. Williams** on February 22.... A son, Clifton Burton, Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. **C.L. Ingram (Gloria E. Klase '72)** of Winston-Salem, N.C. on January 21....

A son, John Thomas, to Mr. and Mrs. **G.T. (Tommy) Lambert (Gerri Yates '72)** of Auburn on March 29. Tommy is an associate secretary of the Auburn Alumni Association.

## 1975

**Parmalee Phillips Hawk (M.Ed.)** is the new headmaster at

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## Lost Alumni

**Ted T. Parks '69**  
Phenix City, Ala. 36867

**Joseph E. Parmer '54**  
New York 11, N.Y.

**Harold B. Parnell '48**  
Fort Worth, Texas 76109

**Lawrence E. Parnell, Jr. '45**  
Anniston, Ala. 36201

**Thomas J. Parnell '66**  
Birmingham, Ala. 35209

**Alberto A. Parra '45**  
Madrid, Spain

**Danny R. Parrish '72**  
Auburn, Ala. 36830

**Miss Glenda M. Parrish '70**  
Norcross, Ga. 30071

**James R. Parrish '67**  
Crossville, Ala. 35962

**W. Rhone Parrish '71**  
Birmingham, Ala. 35209

**Mrs. William T. Parrish '46**  
Talladega, Ala.



**RADIO MANAGER**—Dan Griffin of Hingham, Mass., was recently selected station manager for WEGL, the campus radio station. A junior majoring in speech communication, Dan served as news director last year. As manager, he coordinates all station operations, including budgeting, personnel and programming.



# AUBURN ALUMNALITIES—Continued

Scott Preparatory School in Opelika.... **Jeffrey Laseter** is a cost and budget accountant with WestPoint-Pepperell in the corporate office in West Point, Ga. He and his wife, **Susan Ethel Spivey**, live in West Point, Ga....

**Donald R. Hicks** has received his master's in microbiology from Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton, Fla. He is now teaching at Palm Beach Junior College and Broward Community College in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. **Susan Sherman** is a medical technologist at Carraway Methodist Hospital in Birmingham....

**David E. Harris** is with the Navy. He and his wife, **Deborah Barker Harris**, now live in Hanahan, S.C.... **Lt. David W. Ferguson** is with the Air Force. He and his wife, **Kathi Denise Salmon**, live in Cambria, Calif.... **Michael W. Wedgworth** is now married to **Alison Julia Harris '74** and they live in Birmingham....

**Robert F. Bynum** is an electrical engineer with Toroid Corp. in Huntsville.... **Lt. Rex L. Huffman** is back in the U.S. and is stationed at Ft. Hood, Tex.... **Jeffrey M. Parker** is a registered pharmacist with the State of Florida and is with the Moulton Drug Co. in Pensacola, Fla. His twin sisters, **Sharon** and **Karon Parker**, are now attending Auburn....

**Lt. William H. Wright** is now at K.I. Sawyer AFB, Mich.... **Lucy Shannon Little** was recently chosen as one of the most outstanding Georgia women.... **Elizabeth A. McCaleb** is credit manager with Futura, Inc., in Atlanta.

**MARRIED:** **Helena T. DeVilliers** to **Bradley Jay Bridges** on February 12. She is an administrative assistant in the Pathology Laboratory at Jackson Hospital in Montgomery. They live in Montgomery....

**Marian Kathryn Wood** to **Robert Edward Pierce** on December 18 in Decatur. They are living in Birmingham where she is teaching in the Jefferson County School System and attending UAB and he is in dental school.

## 1976

**Dr. Charles C. King, III**, is now in Louisville, Ky.... **Pamela Lucille Chandler** is a field services director with the Birmingham Council of Campfire, Inc., and she lives in Birmingham.... **Charlotte Ann Park** is a kitchen designer and home economist with Southern Sash Supply, Inc., in Montgomery....

**Larry G. Montarella** is an assistant manager with Mike Montarella in a grocery business in Columbus, Ga., where he and his wife, **Patricia**, live.... **Dewey Marcus Williams** is with the Clearwater, Fla., Police Department.... **Joseph Kenneth Coppedge** is a management trainee with First National Bank of Birmingham.... **Ernest O. Varney** is a draftsman with H. Ray Roddenberry in Carrollton, Ga....

**Mary R. Phillips** is an English teacher at Lanett Junior High School in Lanett.... **Paul LaVern Wingard** is an electrical engineer with H. Hale Vickery and Associates in Mobile.... **Harry Aultman, Jr.**, is an associate engineer with Boeing in Kent, Wash. He and his wife, **Dottie**, live in Bellevue, Wash....

**Margaret Lee Browder, M.S.**, is an instructor of biology at Troy State University.... **Wayne Brasher Nelson, III**, is an engineer with Harbert Construction Co. in Quito, Ecuador. He will return to the United States this

month.... **Joseph H. Vaughn** is a first year student nurse at Columbus (Ga.) College. He will receive an associate degree in June of 1978 and hopes to attend the physician's associate program at Emory University in Atlanta....

**Janet Lavonne Simpson** is with the J.C. Bradley Co. in Columbus, Ga.... **Mary Belinda Aman** is now Mrs. Theodore R. Pope, Jr., and she is substitute teaching in Tampa, Fla.... **Jean W. Sutton** is now Mrs. Jean Neal. She lives in Albany, Ga....

**Karan Louise Sharp** is project secretary with The Rust Engineering Co. in Birmingham.... **Barbara Ellen Caldwell** is an assistant store manager with Dillard's in Brownsville, Tex.... **Pamela J. Richardson** is now Mrs. Ricky Cardin. They live in College Park, Ga., where she is an assistant buyer for Rich's in Atlanta....

**Dr. William M. Harry** is now with the Central Kentucky Veterinary Clinic in Bardstown, Ky.... **Kathy Thompson Borum** is a financial dealer with the City of Auburn's board of education. She and her husband, **Barry**, live in Auburn.... **Ellen Evangline Hardman** is a special education-homebound teacher in DeKalb County....

## Faces in the News



McLeod



Olsen

**Dr. W.R. McLeod '62**, assistant professor of history at West Virginia University, is the first American to be named a governor of London House, a residence for 540 foreign graduate students studying in London where Dr. McLeod has lived several times. Dr. McLeod also is president of Friends of London House Foundation, Inc., a West Virginia charitable corporation chartered in 1975 to help support American graduate students studying in London.

**Dr. Peter F. Olsen '65** has been named a senior ecologist in the Salt Lake City, Utah, office of Dames & Moore, engineering and environmental consultants. A specialist in terrestrial ecology, Dr. Olsen has managed environmental assessment studies for a variety of proposed mining and industrial projects throughout the western United States. Currently, he is project manager for work being done under contract with the U.S. Bureau of Mines to design, develop, and field test dry-land sodding methods which may be utilized in the reclamation of western coal strip mines. He is also administrative manager of the firm's Salt Lake City office. Prior to joining Dames & Moore, he was director of research for EcoDynamics, Inc., of Salt Lake City, and he also served as a research ecologist and assistant professor at the University of Utah. He is a member of the Ecological Society of America, the Wildlife Society, the American Society of Mammalogists, Sigma Xi, and the American Institute of Biological Sciences. He is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Dr. Olsen and his wife, **Donna**, live in Salt Lake City.

**Carlos C. Hart** is head of the Department of Horticulture at the Talladega Special Technical Facility in Talladega.... **James E. Pritchett, Sr.**, has been promoted to president of Planters Bank & Trust in Thomaston.... **William H. Frazier** is a civil engineer with David Volker and Associates in Montgomery....

**Beverly Jean Wyckoff** lives in Wichita, Kan., where she is a work adjustment specialist for mentally and physically handicapped at the Kansas Elks Training Center.... **Perry Woodruff, Jr.**, farms with his father in Lowndesboro.... **Danny D. Lewis** is a project engineer with Scott Bridge Co., Inc., in Opelika.

**MARRIED:** **Carol T. Bannon** to **Thomas Brantley Head**. She is a customer service representative with First National Bank of Mobile. They live in Grand Bay.... **Debra Ann Cunningham** to **Steven C. Osborne** in August. Debbie is a pharmacist at Lanier Memorial Hospital in Langdale. Steven is a veterinary student and they live in Auburn....

**Catherine Anne Ellis** to **Bruce C. Anderson**. They live in Hoover.

## 1977

**Donna Lynne Rabun** is with the intelligence division of the Internal Revenue Service in Atlanta.... **Mark Edward Brinton** is a management trainee with Central Bancshares in Birmingham.... **James Paul Layne** is a pharmacist intern at Carraway Methodist Medical Center in Birmingham....

**Stephen T. Montgomery** is in quality control with Lauderdale Farms Co. in Florence.... **Susan Rae Decher Sneed** is the new aquatic director for the City of Auburn.... **James Dorsey Young, III**, is a pharmacist intern at Carraway Methodist Medical Center in Birmingham....

**John Clinton Morris** is an office manager with Wright Contracting Co. in Columbus, Ga. He lives in Smiths.... **Janet Louise Wilson** is a legislative assistant with Congressman Hal Sawyer in Washington, D.C.... **Carol Lee Dell** is working in Atlanta for the summer.... **Gil Tercenio** is a deputy sheriff with the Lee County Sheriff's Dept....

**Douglas E. Creel** works for Dothan Seed & Supply Co., Inc., in sales.... **Daniel G. Bailey** is a supervisory trainee with Saginaw Steering Gear of G.M. in Athens.... **Leigh Anne Johnson** is doing graduate work in early childhood education at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.... **Judith Louise Glass** is a graduate student aide doing research analysis of coal at Auburn.... **Marion H. Riley, III**, will begin law school at the University of Alabama in the fall....

**Henry Bruce Lankford** is an estimator for Boatner Construction Co., Inc., in Gadsden.... **George F. Sanders, Jr.**, is a management trainee with Avondale Mills in Eu- faula.... **John K. Calhoun** is an air traffic control specialist with the Federal Aviation Agency in Huntsville.... **Richard Lewis Bender, Jr.**, is a pharmacist intern with Center Pharmacy in Columbus, Ga. He will begin medical studies in Kansas City, Mo., in August, 1978.... **William Grady Tucker** is an underwriter trainee with Continental Insurance in Birmingham.... **Leonard P. Perry** is a graduate student aide with the Extension Service in Auburn....

**Sarah Ramsey** is the Outlook on Living editor for the *Alexander City Outlook*.... **Luanne Bell** is a pharmacy intern in Marianna, Fla. She is married to **John Sherrel '76**.... C.



**MISS GREEK WEEK**—Denise Mogge of Birmingham is the winner of the annual Miss Greek Week beauty contest held at Auburn. The 18-year-old freshman was selected over more than 20 contestants sponsored by AU fraternities. She is majoring in early childhood development.

**Doug Wingard** is doing graduate work in chemical engineering at Auburn.... **Glenn Dahlen** is a patrolman for the Auburn Police Department....

**Bart Scott** is a staff accountant for Ernst & Ernst in Birmingham. He is married to **Sheree Bowlen '76**.... **Kenneth Hamilton** is with Eckerd's in Cullman.... **Gary T. Culpepper** is a flight instructor for Auburn University.... **Michael Spearman** is a police officer in Newport News, Va.... **Robert Halsey** is a manufacturing management trainee for Burlington Industries in Brookneal, Va....

**John W. Venters** is a manufacturers representative for Marsh & Moore in Jacksonville, Fla.... **Barry Mitchell (M.F.A.)** is art director in the Department of Publications for the University of Mississippi in Oxford, Miss.... **William Pitts** is a computer systems design engineer for the U.S. Air Force in Montgomery.... **Michael D. Collins** is an intern pharmacist for Big B Drugs in Pelham. He lives in Thorsby....

**Nancy Conner** works for Young's Plant Farm in Auburn.... **Beverly Guin Thomas** is a pharmacy intern for St. Margaret's Hospital in Montgomery.... **Pamila Whitley** is a vocational evaluator for Auburn University in Montgomery....

**Brenda Kaye Lee** is a clinical technician for the Calhoun-Cleburne County Mental Health Center in Anniston.... **Tommy Morgan** is an owner of Morgan's Tire Service in Gadsden.... **Jessica Quinn** teaches first grade for the

Phenix City Board of Education....

**Rebecca Lois Smith** teaches fourth grade in South Pittsburgh, Tenn.... **Elizabeth Moore (M.A.)** is a learning disabilities resource teacher at the Auburn Jr. High School.... **Charles Jeffrey** is a foreman for Formwalt's Tree Service in Mobile.... **Emmett Thompson** is with Avondale Mills in Chattanooga, Tenn.... **Mary Lynn Rew** is a part-time secretary and counselor for the Karma Drug Abuse and Prevention Center in Opelika....

**Ensign David Lynn Hart** is a surface line officer for the U.S. Navy.... **Paul Cortese** works for Auburn University and will attend graduate school fall quarter.... **Oliver Gilmore** is a tax accountant for WestPoint-Pepperell, Inc., in West Point, Ga.... **James M. Renka** is a pharmacy intern for Bull Shoals Hospital in Bull Shoals, Ark.... **Frank M. Stewart, III**, is a forestry intern for Wilmon Timberlands, Inc., in Vredenburgh.... **Deawood Keel** is with Russell Mill, Inc., in Alexander City.... **Emily Smith** teaches for the Blount County Board of Education in Blountsville....

**Joseph Burns** is a supervisor for AAA Lawn Industries in Tucker, Ga.... **James E. Wright (Ed.D.)** is a biology professor at Hiwassee College in Madisonville, Tenn.

**MARRIED:** **Sharon Jordan** to **Kenneth C. Sims** on March 26. They live in Gulf Breeze, Fla., where Ken works for the Gulf Power Company and Sharon is a pharmacy intern.